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BY **REBECCA J. STOLTZFUS '83,** *president*

Our special sauce

SHAPED BY *Anabaptist-Mennonite tradition, we integrate* ***academic excellence*** *with* ***real world experiences*** *and* ***active love for God and neighbor***. I have come to see this part of our mission statement as the essential ingredients of our special sauce at GC.

It is common for a college to emphasize academic excellence, and increasingly common to emphasize real-world experiences, although very few offer global service learning with faculty — what we call Study-Service Term (SST) — to every student as part of the academic package. For us, these two ingredients were natural.

We articulated the third ingredient in an energetic faculty workshop. Striving to put our Christ-centeredness in clear language that transcended our particular Anabaptist-Mennonite tradition, we turned to Jesus' Great Commandment in Matthew 22:36-40.

We began to converge around "love for God and neighbor," when one of the discussion tables asked that it be active love for God and neighbor. The whole room quickly agreed. All the knowledge that we impart and discover, all the real world experiences of SST and internships must be integrated with active love. The integration of our whole lives with active love is the proving ground for faith formation — the context in which faith is developed and tried out. Active love, rooted in the way of Jesus, is not a competing interest for us, it is an inextricable part of a GC education that enlivens everything that we do.

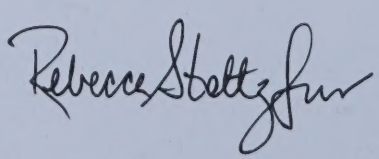
Our journey to become a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) has been fueled by active love. The U.S. Department of Education awarded the HSI designation to Goshen College last month. This means that for consecutive years GC has met the criteria of at least 25 percent of its full-time undergraduate students identifying as Hispanic, and that overall we enroll a high number of students who demonstrate financial need.

But these numbers are a manifestation of a much more important transformation, because the most important word in this designation is the word "serving." Along the way, our Hispanic students have taught us how to become more student-serving — for ALL of our students. We have learned about advocacy, cultural expressions and identities, academic and holistic support, and the importance of engaging with parents. The long path to becoming an HSI has been a proving ground for the active love of GC staff, faculty and leaders as we put our faith into action.

It is a journey ongoing and still evolving as we listen, learn and challenge one another to bring our special sauce to all of our students. In the feature story of **Isacc Hernandez '13**, our mission comes full circle. His unique journey to graduation from GC equips him to serve our current students as academic coach, teacher and mentor.

The Apostle Paul wrote that faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen (Hebrews 11:1). Faith in action is going beyond imagination to actively bring about the things we hope for: peace through justice, release to prisoners, a college degree, a more inclusive and equitable campus.

GC's special sauce is outstanding education that explicitly integrates active love for God and neighbor, shaped by our Anabaptist-Mennonite heritage. Be nourished!



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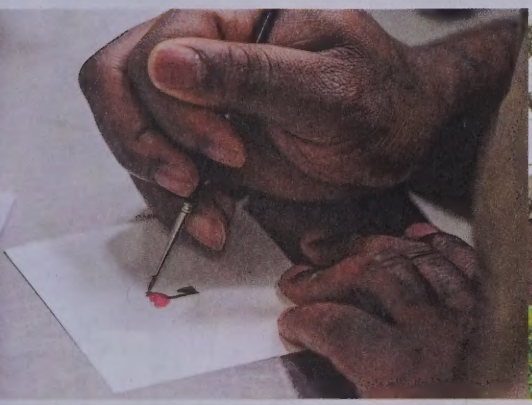

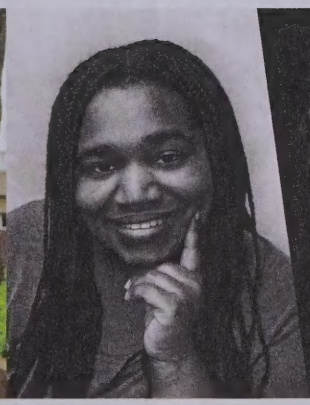
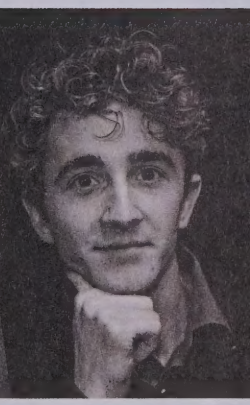

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Unexpected grace and gratitude in prison

Goshen artist **Brooke Rothshank '00** writes about her own surprise learnings as she taught a miniature painting course in the local county jail.

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Coming full circle and passing on the lessons

Isacc Hernandez '13, an academic counselor, shares his journey from struggling college student to transformed alumnus to thriving employee.

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Speaking peace, making peace

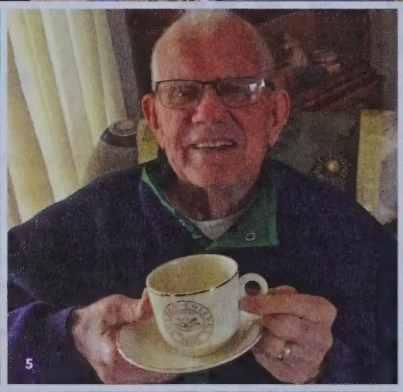
Current students **Jakyra Green** and **Caleb Shenk** share their winning speeches from the college's 2023 C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest.

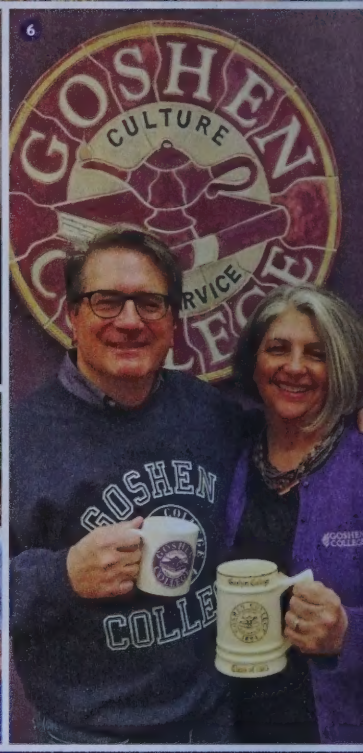
About the cover

Photo by Cory Martin, a resident of Goshen and chaplain of the Jail Ministry of Elkhart County

Finding one's voice and helping others find theirs is central to a Goshen College education and our motto, "Culture for Service." It is exemplified over and over again by students, employees and alumni in surprising, compelling and transformative ways, and it is a connecting thread through each of this issue's feature articles.

This photo is from an art class that Goshen artist **Brooke Rothshank '00** taught in the Elkhart County Jail, and it captures well the impact of discovering and sharing one's voice. With an approach grounded in serving others with active love, a place of incarceration, pain and little freedom became an expressive and healing circle of color, creativity and community.





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640 DONORS GAVE A TOTAL OF **$200,863**

#GCconnects
CONNECT GOSHEN DAY

On Connect Goshen Day (April 18, 2023), in addition to 640 donors generously giving $200,863, alumni and friends shared their memories and photos celebrating their connection to GC, including with their class mug or other GC gear. Here are just a few that were shared this year.

1. **Maryn Munley '14** and **Lewis Caskey '13**, Watertown, Massachusetts — Maryn is a member of the Goshen College Alumni Council
2. Some of the amazing current student staff of The Globe radio station mugging it up for the camera
3. **Ann Reedy Longacre '90**, Barto, Pennsylvania
4. **Ainslee Zou '22**, Baltimore Maryland — member of the Goshen College Alumni Council
5. Henry Koop, Woodstock Ontario — father of **Jill Koop Liechty '90**, **Paul Koop '93** and **Jeffrey Koop '95**; father-in-law of **Dan Koop Liechty '88**, **Sarah Hostetler '94** and **Michelle Koop '97**; grandfather of **Emma Koop Liechty '18**, **Elsie Koop Liechty '21**, **Olivia Koop '23**, **Cormac Koop Liechty '25** and **Ben Koop '27**
6. **Todd '84** and **Kathleen '85 Yoder**. Goshen, Indiana — Todd is Goshen College Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Kathleen is the Executive Assistant for the Goshen College Office of the President
7. **Miriam DeShield '80**, Belize City, Belize
8. **Betsy Alderfer Moyer '73** and **Phil Moyer '66** with their friends and teaching colleagues in Lezhe, Albania
9. **Rachel Smucker '15**, Chicago, Illinois — member of the Goshen College Alumni Council
10. **Anna '07** & **Brian '07 Yoder Schlabach**, Goshen, Indiana
11. Dash!
12. **Debbie Sensenich '02**, Chesterfield, Missouri
13. **Solidia Brown '90**, Goshen, Indiana — Goshen College Assistant to Academic Programs
13. **Jim Longacre '90**, Barto, Pennsylvania
15. **Audrey Alderfer '71** and **Phyllis Miller '81** joined by niece & future grad **Annika Alderfer Fisher '24**
16. **Ryan Ahlgrim '79**, Richmond, Virginia

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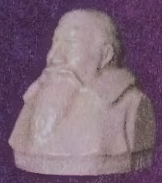

We heard from 91 of you who correctly found Menno Simons in the Fall/Winter 2022 issue on page 27. He was sitting on top of a heap of rubble and helping Mennonite Disaster Service with the demolition of the existing interior of the second and third floors of Westlawn Hall in preparation for renovations into new, state-of-the-art nursing and public health learning spaces.

Congrats to the five lucky winners who were chosen at random to receive limited-edition Goshen College T-shirts:

1. **Ginny Birky '70**
   Newberg, Oregon
2. **Mary Derstein '69**
   Boalsburg, Pennsylvania
3. **Phil Histand '72**
   Corvallis, Oregon
4. **Marlene Kaufman '61**
   Brownstown, Pennsylvania
5. **Ramona Yoder '70**
   Glendale, Arizona

We love hearing from all of you as you find where Menno is hiding (he looks just like the photo at the top, just smaller). So, when you do, submit your entry to **gcbulletin@goshen.edu** by August 30, 2023, for a chance to win. Be sure to include your name, address, T-shirt size and graduation year/affiliation with Goshen College.

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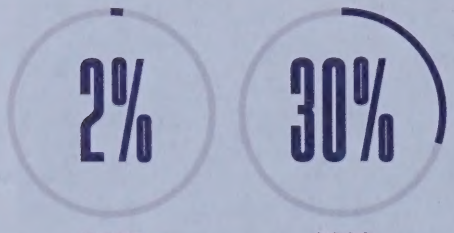

Hispanic/Latinx enrollment at Goshen College

GC receives official Hispanic Serving Institution designation

In January, the U.S. Department of Education officially designated the college as a Hispanic-Serving Institution. This means that for consecutive years the college has met the criteria of at least 25 percent of its full-time undergraduate students identifying as Hispanic/Latinx and enrolls a high number of students who demonstrate financial need.

This federal recognition will help the college continue to attract and support Hispanic/Latinx students, as well as make improvements that benefit the entire campus. As a federally designated minority-serving institution, the college will be eligible to apply for additional grants, receive priority points in grant scoring and be considered a preferred partner for other institutions.

GC is the fourth higher education institution in Indiana to receive this designation. Learn more at **goshen.edu/hsi**

ASHLEE HOOGENBOOM

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New Latino Advisory Council formed

Formed in Fall 2022, the college's new Latino Advisory Council engages a diverse group of Latino leaders from Elkhart County who are committed to the development, implementation and coordination of educational programs that serve the educational needs of Latinos in the region and at Goshen College.

Current members include *(above, left to right)*: Manuel Cortez, **Rebecca Hernandez (administrative faculty '08-14)**, **Marlette Gomez Wengerd '13**, **Edgar Saucedo Davila '11 and '14 (MBA)**, Erick Martinez. *At right:* GC employees **Luna Avila** and **Gilberto Perez Jr.** Current members not pictured: **Rose Gillin '81**, **Sandra McMasters '19**, Adriana Bontreger and **José Chiquito Galvan '20**.

"Into the Woods"

The Goshen College Theater Department performed "Into the Woods" for the spring mainstage musical, which was last performed on campus 20 years ago in 2003. A number of alumni performers from that production came to cheer on this year's performers in a special "Into the Woods" alumni day. Pictured are *(left to right)*: **Erin Peters '23**, **Naomi Lapp Klassen '25**, **Augusta Nafziger '23** and **Aysia Adkins '26**.

Business department expands with two new programs

Two new business programs will launch in the Fall of 2023: an MBA 4+1 program and Bachelor of Science degree with a business management major in an online degree completion program.

The business management degree completion program is designed for working adults offering flexibility and accessibility to fit a busy schedule, while also being affordable. *See page 32 for more information.*

The MBA 4+1 program will offer Goshen College students an accelerated and economical path to earning their MBA. Students will be able to earn an advanced degree in as little as one year after completing their bachelor's degree and at half the cost.

Transition to Teaching offers new online program

In response to the current teacher shortage, Goshen College is now offering an online evening track for its Transition to Teaching program. Students enrolled in the program have the opportunity to attend classes in the evening via Zoom and work asynchronously in the summer.

By taking one course at a time and completing all fieldwork in their own classroom, secondary educators can earn a permanent instructional license in less than two years.

See page 32 for more information.

Mary Oyer turns 100!

On April 5, **Mary Oyer**, professor emerita of music, celebrated her 100th birthday! She was honored during the April 15 Earthtones concert on campus, as well as with a special hymn sing at College Mennonite Church on April 16 *(pictured above with her nieces, **Kathy Oyer '77** and **Sarah Oyer '80**)*.

You can read President Stoltzfus' reflection on Mary's impact at Goshen College, along with fond memories, in her blog honoring Mary at: **goshen.edu/president-blog**

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GC receives $1 million grant for expanded nursing program

The Community Foundation of Elkhart County has awarded Goshen College a $1 million grant to invest in the renovation of Westlawn Hall for the new nursing and public health facility *(rendering pictured above)*.

President **Rebecca Stoltzfus '83** said, "We are very grateful for this generous grant from the Community Foundation, which significantly helps us expand our nursing program through new facilities in collaboration with Ivy Tech and local schools. Our region is experiencing an urgent and growing crisis in the health workforce. Educating nurses creates good jobs, provides flexible and rewarding career pathways, and will sustain the capacity of our local healthcare system to care for all of us."

KYLE HUFFORD

Awards roll in for The Record and 91.1FM The Globe

91.1FM The Globe (WGCS) and the many students involved with it received 27 awards, including 'Radio School of the Year,' during this year's Indiana Association of School Broadcasters (IASB) College Awards *(pictured above)*. This is the fifth consecutive year GC has been named 'Radio School of the Year,' and the ninth time in 12 years, more than any other school.

The Globe also brought home a flurry of awards from the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System (IBS) Media Awards after being nominated for 31 awards. The Globe Staff was awarded first place for Best Social Media Campaign and three students brought home individual wins. The Globe was also named a national finalist for Best College Radio Station (under 10,000 students) for the 11th time.

The Indiana Collegiate Press Association (ICPA) named the college's student newspaper, The Record, the second-best newspaper in the state for colleges under 3,000 students. Eleven GC students walked home with awards, for a total of 23 awards.

GC awarded $300K federal grant to increase resources for sexual violence prevention

Goshen College was awarded a nearly $300,000 campus grant from the U.S. Department of Justice through the Office on Violence Against Women to build on current resources available to prevent domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking.

While the college has been dedicated and invested in prevention education initiatives, additional focus and resources will be beneficial to better address specific groups of students on campus including athletes, LGBTQ+ students and Latino students.

Inaugural President's Graduating Leaders Awardees

PHOTOS BY KIARA BLACKSHIRE '25

President **Rebecca Stoltzfus** honored eight graduating seniors with the new President's Graduating Leader Award, along with their high school and college mentors, during a special banquet ceremony on April 21.

This new award will be given annually to outstanding graduating seniors who demonstrate academic excellence and leadership inside and outside of the classroom. In addition, each student awardee chose an outstanding high school faculty or staff member and an outstanding Goshen College faculty member who supported their development to also be recognized with their own awards.

This year's honorees include:

	Student	High school mentor/s	College mentor/s
1	**Katia Gutierrez Avila**, a nursing major from Goshen *(center)*	**Gail Gerber '88**, a language arts teacher at Goshen High School *(left)*	**Susan Setiawan '92**, associate professor of nursing *(right)*
2	**Bryan Nataren Barahona**, a physics major and math minor from San Pedro Sula, Honduras *(left)*	Edy Roberto Madrid Artia, a religion and history teacher at White Dove School in Honduras *(not pictured)*	**Paul Meyer Reimer '83**, professor of physics *(right)*
3	**Kevin Bollmann**, a business major from Basel, Switzerland *(right)*	Iris Ballbach, his business, law and economics teacher *(not pictured)*	**Jonathan Geiser '82**, associate professor of business *(left)*, and **Andrew Hartzler '98**, professor of accounting *(not pictured)*
4	**Grace Hitt**, a music and history double major from Cincinnati, Ohio *(right)*	David Kaiser, the retired band director at Wyoming High School *(not pictured)*	**Julia Schiavone Camacho**, associate professor of history *(right)*
5	**Greta Lapp Klassen**, an art and English double major from Goshen *(center)*	Betsy Poling, her art teacher at Goshen High School *(left)*	**Duane Stoltzfus '81**, professor of communication *(right)*
6	**Olivia Krall**, a history major from Carmel, Indiana *(center)*	Joshua Miller, social studies teacher at Carmel High School *(left)*	**Philipp Gollner**, associate professor of U.S. history *(right)*
7	**Robert Sanders**, a sports management major from Merrillville, Indiana *(center)*	Anthony Patton, head basketball coach at Merrillville High School *(right)*	**Heidi Dyck Hilty '89**, sponsored programs and grant coordinator *(left)*
8	**Angie Ticen**, a music and education double major from Chalmers, Indiana *(center)*	Chris and Bethany Burch, youth leaders at her church *(left)*	**Matthew Hill**, professor of music *(right)*

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TYSON MILLER '25
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KIARA BLACKSHIRE '25

CLASS OF 2023

The 165 members of the Goshen College Class of 2023 were honored at a commencement ceremony on April 30, 2023.

The following is a list of degree candidates for the 2023 graduating class, including some December 2022 graduates. Inclusion on this list does not mean that all degree requirements have been met.

*** ***Summa Cum Laude:*** *3.90-4.00 GPA (with highest honor)*

** ***Magna Cum Laude:*** *3.80-3.89 GPA (with great honor)*

* ***Cum Laude:*** *3.60-3.79 GPA (with honor)*

Following each name is the field of study being completed by the student. Use of the diagonal (/) indicates that the two fields are a double major program with two equal areas of concentration. Areas in which a minor will be completed are indicated by italics. Interdisciplinary concentrations are listed after the colon.

Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree

Amy Lynn Frazier
Doctor of Nursing Practice
Milford, Indiana

Rosemary W. Gathungu
Doctor of Nursing Practice
Nyeri, Kenya

Kylee J. Rohatgi
Doctor of Nursing Practice
South Bend, Indiana

Susan Miller Setiawan
Doctor of Nursing Practice
Goshen, Indiana

Master of Arts Degree

Stephany Grace Hancock
Environmental Education
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Jamie Elaine McBride
Environmental Education
Elkhart, Indiana

Michael R. Miller
Environmental Education
Goshen, Indiana

Jeremiah Dean Sharp
Environmental Education
Huntington, Indiana

Eva C.L. Webb
Environmental Education
Huntington, Indiana

CLASS OF 2023

165

total graduates

Bachelor of Arts: **115**

Bachelor of Science in Nursing: **23**

Bachelor of Science: **1**

Master of Science in Nursing: **12**

Master of Business Administration: **5**

Master of Arts in Environmental Education: **5**

Doctor of Nursing Practice: **4**

11

countries represented

18

states represented

107

graduates from Indiana

Commencement speaker: **Dr. Felipe Hinojosa**, professor of history, assistant provost for Hispanic Serving Institution initiatives and director for the Carlos H. Cantú Hispanic Education & Opportunity Endowment at Texas A&M University

Master of Business Administration Degree

Cynthia Good Kaufmann
MBA General Management
Goshen, Indiana

Julia Ingram
MBA General Management
Chesterton, Indiana

Mark Landes
MBA General Management
Hesston, Kan.

Maria D. Martinez Diaz
MBA General Management
Harrisonburg, Virginia

Erika Miller
MBA General Management
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Dilni Prathiraja
MBA General Management
Kurunegala, Sri Lanka

Aimee Ann Riemke
MBA General Management
Edwardsburg, Michigan

Amanda J. Stats
MBA General Management
Basye, Virginia

Brittany Nichole Williams
MBA General Management
Goshen, Indiana

Master of Science in Nursing Degree

Martha Mary Alling
Family Nurse Practitioner
Scotts, Michigan

Laura Eileen Borsa
Family Nurse Practitioner
Plymouth, Indiana

Juliana Gonsalves
Family Nurse Practitioner
Elkhart, Indiana

Jacob F. Keultjes
Family Nurse Practitioner
Granger, Indiana

Stephen M. Kiai
Family Nurse Practitioner
South Bend, Indiana

Jenny E. Lopez Alvarez
Family Nurse Practitioner
Goshen, Indiana

Margaret N. Miru
Family Nurse Practitioner
South Bend, Indiana

Marion Nyaguthii Nganga
Family Nurse Practitioner
Elkhart, Indiana

Brandy Monique Robertson
Family Nurse Practitioner
South Bend, Indiana

Ashley R. Tolliver
Family Nurse Practitioner
Shelby Township, Michigan

Mei Wang
Family Nurse Practitioner
Mishawaka, Indiana

Morgan Brittany Winn
Family Nurse Practitioner
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Degrees

Denisse Junnue Aguilar Michel
Psychology / Sociology
Elkhart, Indiana

Kaitlyn Elizabeth Alioto
Sign Language Interpreting, *Theater*
Plainfield, Illinois

Hashem Samer Yacoub Ammari
Interdisciplinary: Biology, Music, Exercise Science
Husun, Irbid, Jordan

Anna Katarina Amstutz**
Nursing
Indianapolis, Indiana

Skylar Van Antonides***
Environmental and Marine Science, *Sustainability*
Wauconda, Illinois

Jenifer A. Avila Dominguez
Psychology
Goshen, Indiana

Katherine Ruby Avilez-Rodas
Nursing
Goshen, Indiana

Birch Z. Baer
Peace, Justice and Conflict Studies, *Sustainable Food Systems*
Goshen, Indiana

Wesley Daniel Beck***
Chemistry / Secondary Education
Goshen, Indiana

Willa Smucker Beidler***
Molecular Biology and Biochemistry, *Musical Theater*
Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Lee A. Bergey***
Sustainability Studies / Art, *Women's and Gender Studies*
Green Lane, Pennsylvania

Kedrick J. Bibby
Exercise Science
Kissimmee, Florida

Daniel B. Boling
Information Technology
Goshen, Indiana

Evan Wyatt Bollinger
Communication
Harrisonburg, Virginia

Kevin D. Bollmann
Business
Reinach, Baselland, Switzerland

Emma Yoder Bontrager***
Accounting, *Business*
New Paris, Indiana

Connor Seferian Bradbury
Nursing
Daly City, California

Axel J. Brown***
Biology / Secondary Education
Goshen, Indiana

Dakota Claire Li Cain*
Biology, *Writing*
Carmel, Indiana

Gissel Campos
Nursing
Ligoner, Indiana

Spencer Nelson Castillo
Criminal Justice and Restorative Justice
Fremont, Indiana

Jose Manuel Cepeda
Computer Science, *Graphic Design*
Goshen, Indiana

Joshua R. Chassang
Business
Thyme Bottom, Christ Church, Barbados

Emmalee Anne Cole
Nursing
Warsaw, Indiana

Alejandro Jesus Corea Murillo***
Computer Science
Kansas City, Kansas

Adena Daniels
Sign Language Interpreting
Crown Point, Indiana

Cristian R. Diaz
Business
Elkhart, Indiana

Yadira A. Diaz
Biology
Goshen, Indiana

Vitor Romero dos Santos
Business
Sao Paulo, Brazil

Theary Artist Eash
Environmental and Marine Science / Sustainable Food Systems
Pettisville, Ohio

Brock E. Eby
Interdisciplinary: Marketing, Business, Communication
Elkhart, Indiana

Amber M. England
Psychology
Goshen, Indiana

Emmanuel O. Fakoyede
Criminal Justice and Restorative Justice, *Pre-Law*
Dublin, Leinster, Ireland

Joise Favila-Castillo
Nursing, *Psychology*
Elkhart, Indiana

Ruam Carlos F. Barbosa
History, *Global Economics*
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Alexsandra Fernandes de Oliveira
Physical Education
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Isaac A. Fisher
Mathematics / Secondary Education
Elkhart, Indiana

Alexandria B. Flores
Business
Goshen, Indiana

Aurora Flores Avila**
Nursing, *Spanish*
Goshen, Indiana

Kaylie N. Gaby
Environmental and Marine Science
Syracuse, Indiana

Zaineb Sadeq Galeb
Nursing
Goshen, Indiana

Giovana Gaona
Public Health
Elkhart, Indiana

Yudiria Garcia
Public Health
Goshen, Indiana

Emily Alyssa Garza
Psychology, *American Sign Language*
Austin, Texas

Caleb Gingerich*
History, *English*
Kalona, Iowa

Sebastian Gomez
Information Technology, *Game Development*
Syracuse, Indiana

Ann I. Gonzalez**
Nursing
Ligonier, Indiana

Felicitas Gonzalez
Nursing
Fort Wayne, Indiana**Stephanie Gonzalez**
Nursing
Ligonier, Indiana

Caroline Brunk Greaser***
Graphic Design / Music
Goshen, Indiana

Maria Fernanda Guajardo Vazquez
Nursing
Ligonier, Indiana

Hannah R. Guthrie***
Sustainability Studies, *Business, Entrepreneurship*
Avilla, Indiana

Katia Gutierrez Avila***
Nursing
Goshen, Indiana

Ryan Douglas Harmelink***
Molecular Biology and Biochemistry
Goshen, Indiana

Bryan Hernandez
Computer Science, *Sustainability*
Goshen, Indiana

Sarah Hinshaw
Psychology
Dayton, Ohio

Grace Marie Hitt***
History / Music
Wyoming, Ohio

Lydia Mae Holsopple*
Nursing
Millersburg, Indiana

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Social Work
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The baseball, softball, men's and women's outdoor track and field, and men's and women's tennis seasons were not complete at press time and will be included in the next issue. Visit ***goleafs.net*** *for the latest updates on all the Maple Leaf teams.*

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

(22ND IN NAIA AND 6TH IN CROSSROADS LEAGUE)

Led by junior **Nelson Kemboi** (Eldoret, Kenya), the men's cross country team had a top-25 finish at the NAIA National Championship for the fourth consecutive year. Kemboi finished in 39th place and was named an All-American for the third straight year. The team tied a program record for the highest rating in the polls at #14 and rallied together after the tragic in-season death of teammate **Ezra Kipruto** (Eldoret, Kenya). Kipruto was a part of the school record set at Louisville for the best time among the team's top five runners.

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

(5TH IN CROSSROADS LEAGUE)

The Maple Leafs were ranked in the NAIA coaches poll for the first time since 2006 this past season. The team had a first-place finish at the IU-Kokomo Invitational and was led by junior **Naomi Ross Richer** (Goshen), who placed first overall in the race. Ross Richer and junior **Summer Cooper** (Elkhart, Ind.) had top-20 finishes at the Crossroads League Championships.

MEN'S SOCCER

(2-12-3, 2-6-1 CROSSROADS LEAGUE)

The men's soccer team slightly improved their conference record compared to last season with wins against Saint Francis and Taylor. Fifth-year **Lucas Bontreger** (Goshen) had six goals and three assists, and was named All-Crossroads League First-Team for the second year in a row. He finished his GC career with 36 goals and 15 assists in 76 games.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

(5-12-1, 2-7 CROSSROADS LEAGUE)

The women's soccer team made it to the Crossroads League tournament for the second year in a row in 2022 — the first time they had done that since the 2006 and 2007 seasons. A highlight of the season was a 6-0 win for the Maple Leafs against West Virginia Tech, in which six different players scored in the same game for the first time in a decade. Sophomore defender **Karítas Arnardóttir** (Reykjavík, Iceland) was named All-Crossroads League Honorable Mention and played a massive role in four shutout wins for Goshen.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

(2-31, 0-18 CROSSROADS LEAGUE)

Five women's volleyball players earned postseason honors from the Crossroads League — sophomore **Jaelyn Amhdar** (Richmond, Mich.), sophomore **Sadie Brenneman** (Goshen), first-year **Kassidy Faler** (Pioneer, Ohio),

sophomore **Emily Lynch** (Plainfield, Ind.) and **Sydney Stutsman** (Goshen). Lynch and Brenneman led the offensive attack with 250+ kills each and Stutsman had over 600 assists.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

(3-25, 1-17 CROSSROADS LEAGUE)

First-year **Kaden Johnson** (Hartford, Mich.) was fifth in the Crossroads League in rebounds per game and was named Honorable Mention All-Crossroads League. Redshirt sophomore **Elias Ramirez** (Bay City, Mich.) led the team in scoring and made 78 three-pointers. During a conference win against Taylor, the Leafs had their most rebounds in a regulation conference game since 2017 against Huntington.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

(7-21, 2-16 CROSSROADS LEAGUE)

During a 30-point road win at Huntington, Goshen allowed just 42 points to the Foresters — the fewest they have allowed in a conference road game since 2004. Junior **Zion Neat** (Austin, Texas) was an Honorable Mention All-Crossroads League selection. The transfer was fifth in the conference in free throw percentage and seventh in points per 40 minutes.

MEN'S INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

(T-54TH IN NAIA AND **10TH** IN CROSSROADS LEAGUE)

Compared to just two participants last season, Goshen had six representatives at the NAIA National Championships this year. Junior **Nelson Kemboi** (Eldoret, Kenya) was an All-American for his school-record performance in the 3000-meters and was All-Crossroads League in the event at the league meet. Sophomore **Jordan Garlinger** (Decatur, Ind.), first-year **Anthony Roberts** (Elkhart, Ind.), sophomore **Kevin Liddell** (South Bend, Ind.) and first-year **Drew Hogan** (Goshen) made up the 4x800-meter relay team that broke their own school record in the national semifinals. Junior **Samuel Stoner-Eby** (Lancaster, Pa.) competed with Garlinger, Hogan and Roberts in the distance medley relay.

WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

(8TH IN CROSSROADS LEAGUE)

Junior **Mia Wellington** (Goshen), junior **Summer Cooper** (Elkhart, Ind.), junior **Maria Maldonado** (Goshen) and first-year **Mercy Chebet** (Nakuru, Kenya) broke their distance medley relay school record twice at the NAIA National Championships — once in the semifinals and then again in the finals. Cooper was one spot away from All-American status in the women's mile final and also competed in the 3000-meter run semifinals. First-year **Mady Axsom** (Elkhart, Ind.) and first-year **Britney Ortega** (Goshen) also competed for Goshen at the national meet. Five Maple Leafs made the All-Crossroads League team.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

(9-12, 7-11 WOLVERINE-HOOSIER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE)

Junior transfer **Hasan Hadzic** (Kakanj, Bosnia and Herzegovina) made a significant impact in his first season at Goshen, being named the WHAC Newcomer of the Year. He was also First Team All-Conference, a two-time WHAC Attacker of the Week, and once the WHAC Defender of the Week. First-year **Ishmail Bangura** (Freetown, Sierra Leone) was named First Team All-Conference and All-Freshman Team and was also the WHAC Attacker of the Week once. The Leafs ended the season by winning five of their seven final matches.

Bowling added as newest sport and coach hired

For the 2024-25 academic year, Goshen will become the eighth Crossroads League school to add bowling as a sport. The home venue for the 15th and 16th teams at GC will be Maple City Bowl in Goshen. **Scott Curtis** will serve as head coach, directing the men's and women's teams. Curtis founded the Reese (Michigan) High School bowling team and led them from 2010 to 2020. He also brings experience at the NAIA level after leading the men's and women's programs at Aquinas College.

Jeff Phillips to lead women's volleyball program

Jeff Phillips was named the 12th head women's volleyball coach at Goshen College, as announced by Director of Athletics Dr. Erica Albertin on February 13. Phillips most recently served as the head girl's volleyball coach at Wawasee High School in Syracuse, Indiana, leading them to a 146-119 record from 2011 to 2015 and then from 2019 to 2022. He was an assistant coach at Warsaw High School from 2008 to 2010 and Tippecanoe Valley High School from 2007 to 2008.

GC's new mascot, Dash, has enjoyed meeting many students and community members since being unveiled in October!

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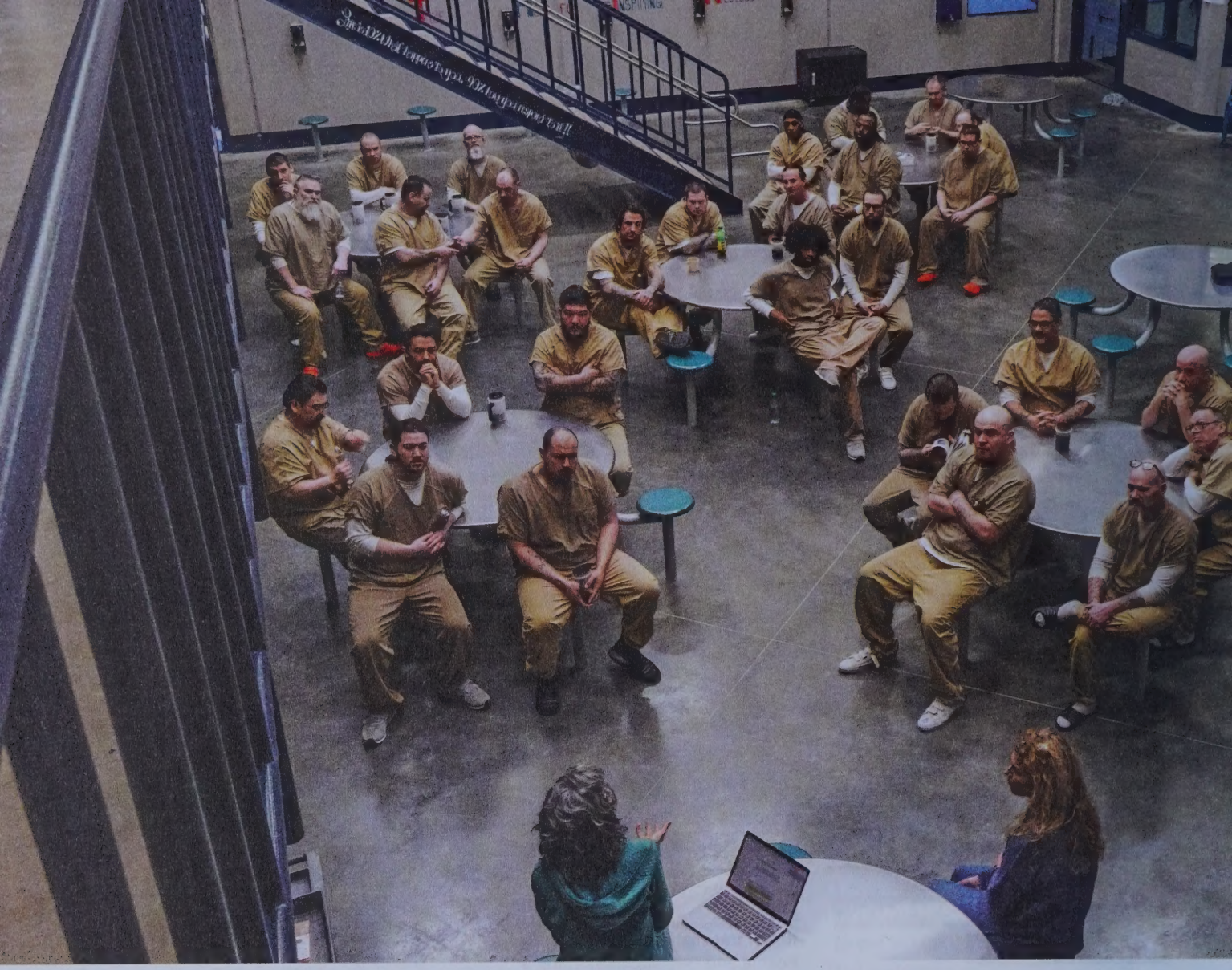

Unexpected grace and gratitude in prison

BY **BROOKE ROTHSHANK '00**

PHOTOS BY **CORY MARTIN,** *chaplain of the Jail Ministry of Elkhart County*

I'D BEEN PREPARING for weeks — technically years, if you count my art training and gratitude learning — but the last few weeks had required a deeper dive into thinking about discussing gratitude with people experiencing hard things. I was preparing to teach a five-session course on painting miniatures with an emphasis on gratitude at the Elkhart County Jail in Indiana. Together, the inmates and I would explore watercolor techniques to create paintings that represented one thing we often take for granted: our senses. The plan was to have each participant paint a miniature image based on one of the five senses each week and to consider how gratefulness awakens our appreciation towards life.

My excitement for being able to teach again after a two year break due to the pandemic was soon tempered by feelings of imposter syndrome. I questioned how I would be able to encourage gratefulness from my perspective as a privileged, cis gender, white woman to men of varying cultural identities facing challenges so different from my own. I worried I'd end up rambling in the way I do when I'm nervous, or that we wouldn't be able to relate to one another. I told myself that my lone actions were not going to solve any problems or make a difference.

"I loved the class and the inspiration it filled me with."

—Julio, *class participant*

As these thoughts swirled, an Instagram post I had read by the brilliant Shannan Martin, who happens to be married to Cory, the jail chaplain, kept coming back to me. In it she said, "As the whole world rattles with anxiety, a small portion of peace could be found if we'd pour our actual selves into unspectacular vessels, and decide it's good enough to share."

This permission to let go of overthinking how I should — or could — be different felt powerful and invited a deep exhale of relief. I wondered, if my actual self gets it wrong, can I be open to the tenderness of being taught?

On the morning of the first class, I met Kris, the program coordinator; Holly, the effervescent tattoo removal technician; and Cory, the jail chaplain with a Santa beard. We spoke briefly then walked back down the enormous

"I have been in this facility for a while and to be able to take an art class was an amazing experience. I think that my opinion talks for most in here; while we were in class it gave all of us a sense of peace."

—Alfredo, *class participant*

hall together. When we arrived, the men were already there, about 30 in total, finding seats at round tables. I began to talk and could see the group was attentive and responsive, encouraging even.

"...my wife loved the paintings I sent her and when we were doing the painting class I didn't even feel like I was in jail the whole time of the class..."

Alonzo, *class participant*

We started with a small painting exercise to become familiar with the supplies. Each person was to imagine someone who had been kind to them while they filled in a circle with color and pattern. The men dove into their work and seemed delighted with the vibrant paints. Each painting was unique.

We talked about blending colors and the qualities of the paints. We discussed how when we are young there is a freedom in our creativity that often gets lost as we age. There was agreement that we tend to be unkind to ourselves when we try something new. It's easy to expect it should be a certain way that we have been told is "good," instead of being curious about what unfolds from our efforts.

We watched a brief video called A Grateful Day. I could see appreciative nods and smiles as common daily experiences we often forget to appreciate flashed on the screen. We closed our eyes to think about sight and how different our days would be without it. Everyone completed a one-inch painting of an eye. While the men painted I talked about gratefulness strategies and handed out their gratitude journals. Expressions of delight rippled through the room as hands explored the textured covers and smooth blank paper. I wondered what might fill those pages. I don't think I've ever taught a more engaged group.

The class ended with fist bumps and handshakes. Many helped with cleaning up and thanked me for coming. One man showed me his colored pencil drawings. Another told me about his daughter who was born the day before. One told me about his beloved parrot who died while he was away.

As it turned out, I didn't need to be so worried about meeting these men. They each reminded me of the men in my life — cousins, brothers,

uncles, neighbors. Some were quiet and soft spoken but clearly paying attention to everything. Others had quick wit and a lively sense of humor. Many were hard working, wasting no time getting started and staying on task beyond the time to clean up. Some left me wondering how they really felt while others were hungry to talk and share their ideas and hopes.

When I left that first day I felt as if I had discovered a room full of goodness that was hidden away. I know these men made mistakes. I know I've made mistakes. We didn't know each other's past, so all we could do was start right there in the present. We were coming from different experiences, but we had a reason to be together and that was enough to find some common ground. The willingness of these people to receive my teachings with so much appreciation was surprisingly emotional. I had been so concerned about what I would teach and share that I forgot to prepare for what I would receive. I thought about how easily I could have missed the chance to meet these people. There were enough reasons and plenty of uncomfortable feelings that would have made it simpler to not go.

"The beauty of creativity through expression makes it possible for endless opportunity to heal open wounds of emotions...For that I am grateful and inspired to navigate and explore new beginnings to life's endeavors."

—Paul, *class participant*

Classes are finished now. I think about this group of men and how they have helped to shift my definition of the word "stranger." The opportunity to meet incarcerated people working toward change inspires me to work toward change.

I don't know exactly what comes next, but I do know that I don't ever want to miss the unexpected grace in the face of someone I have not yet met.

Brooke Rothshank '00 is an artist in Goshen. She works primarily in miniature watercolor, and has illustrated several children's books. View her work on her Instagram page @blrothshank.

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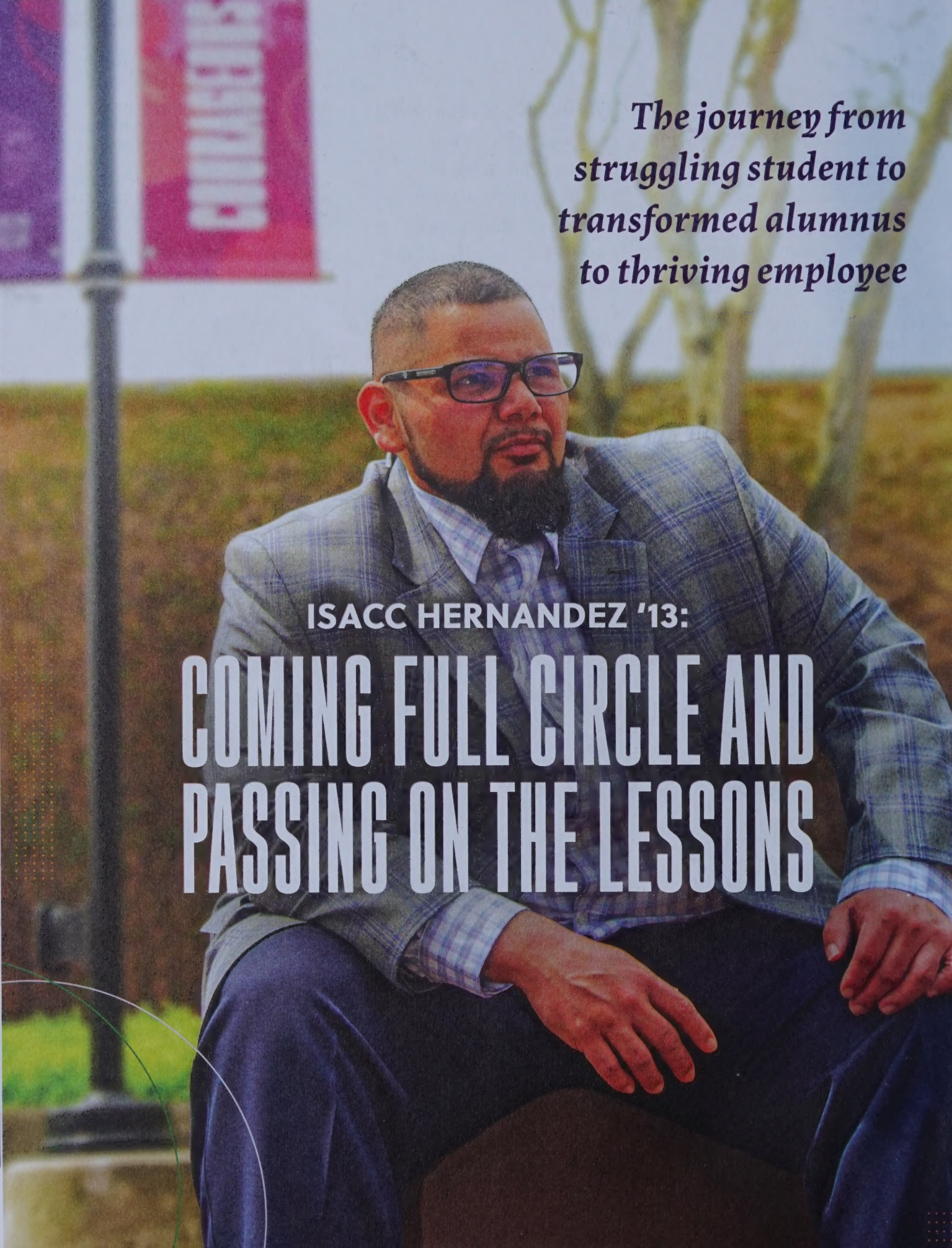

The journey from struggling student to transformed alumnus to thriving employee

ISACC HERNANDEZ '13:

COMING FULL CIRCLE AND PASSING ON THE LESSONS

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FINDING YOUR PLACE isn't always easy.

Sometimes the path can leave you feeling alone. All it takes to make a difference is one person to see you, to see your journey and say "Hey, I've been there. I know what that's like. Here's what I did, maybe it can help you too."

My name is Isacc Hernandez. I came to Goshen College from Nampa, Idaho in 2008 and graduated in 2013. Now I work as an academic counselor here at GC helping students adjust to the challenges of college.

I didn't make many great choices in high school. Like many teens, I wasn't engaged in my education or my future. I was more invested in my friends and wound up on a bad path. Eventually my high school recommended I find somewhere else to finish my studies.

After I left high school, my mom sat me down and told me I needed to finish something in my life. I wanted to make her proud, so I pursued an alternative education and earned my GED in 2008, just shy of 17 years old.

My aunt, **Rebecca Hernandez**, had recently accepted a position as the director for a new program at Goshen College aimed at bringing first-generation students in underserved demographics into college, the Center for Intercultural Teaching and Learning (CITL). She told my mom that there was a space for me there. I didn't have any other plans for my future, so I reluctantly headed to Goshen College with much support and encouragement from my mom and aunt.

My first year was hard. I felt isolated and out of place. Goshen was a lot smaller than my hometown and I wasn't very close with my aunt at the time.

And, Goshen College was still in the very early stages of its journey to becoming the Hispanic-Serving Institution that it is today, so there weren't many Hispanic students on campus besides my CITL cohort. There were even fewer who understood the Chicano culture I grew up in. I felt caught between cultures and questioned if I truly belonged here.

Over the course of the year, I withdrew into myself. I started skipping classes. I disengaged from my cohort. I kept telling myself that I hadn't chosen to be here, I didn't belong, so I shouldn't even bother trying. Eventually I was dismissed from Goshen College.

During this time, my aunt — who was becoming one of the most influential people in my life — asked me what I wanted to do with my life.

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I didn't have an immediate answer, but I thought about it a lot while I was working in factory jobs. Thankfully, my aunt, my mom and my academic counselor, **Suzanne Ehst**, never stopped believing in me.

Having people believe in you, when you don't even believe in yourself, is definitely the kind of energy that motivates you to persist for them, but also for yourself. They helped me realize what mattered and to get back on track. Working in the factories made me realize that college was a step in the right direction towards leading a better life.

I took some classes at Hesston (Kansas) College, and began to form better academic and social habits. I learned how to be a successful student and leverage the resources available to me. Then I was ready to transfer back to Goshen as an interdisciplinary major, studying communication, social work and sociology. I was also able to reconnect with my original cohort and find my community on campus.

After graduation, I ended up back in my hometown working at a family fun center. I had worked my way up there, but felt a pull to do something else, so I took the time to reflect and know myself better in order to understand that calling. I realized I wanted a job that gave me a sense of purpose and that I was at a stage where giving back to help others felt like a priority.

During this time, I happened to reconnect on Facebook with Suzanne. As we caught up, she mentioned there might be a job opening as an academic counselor at the college, and I knew immediately this was something I wanted to pursue. My time spent as a manager mentoring young people who came in for their first jobs was something I had truly enjoyed. Now, I wanted to use my experiences to help students who were struggling to find their place like I did as a new first-generation college student.

I was hired for the job, but I was nervous to come back as an administrative faculty member. I felt I had a bad reputation from my time as a student and that might make people wary of working with me. What I found was quite the opposite. People did remember me, but not in a bad way. Coming back felt like a fresh start, but also a second chance.

Now as an academic counselor myself, I often reference my own time as a college student. I remember how easy it was to feel I didn't belong here, making it harder to reach out for help. I still regret not being more involved as a student the first time.

Having taken the journey from struggling student to transformed alumni to thriving employee, I recognize that a big part of what makes Goshen College such a great place is that people here are focused on the whole person. I am glad to be in a position now where I can offer that insight to students and help them succeed here, just like I did.

JULIAN GONZALEZ

EDITOR'S NOTE: Jakyra Green, a junior English education major from Elkhart, won the 2023 C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest at Goshen College with her speech titled "The privilege of peace." This feature is a written adaptation of her speech.

The privilege of peace

FROM EARLY CHILDHOOD, many of us are taught a simplistic definition of peace. We are taught to love our neighbor and cultivate empathy. Most of all, we are told to abide by the saying, "treat others as you wish to be treated." It is almost as if that phrase applies universally to all, transcending borders and identities; almost as if peace is solely based on how we perceive the world.

With that said, is the concept of peace an illusion for some and real for others? Let me share some of my own experiences where peace did not exist.

In second grade, my Black friend told me about a time she overheard another classmate ask the white teacher, "What do you do if a police officer is mean to you?" My friend remembers the teacher's face etched in confusion. As these conversations happened, my hands began to sweat, and my legs bounced up and down. I remember my run-in with police officers. In these moments, during conversations with friends, I am not at peace.

And in high school, I went to a convenience store with my friends. My white friend paid for my sour Skittles, and I walked out. The cashier thought I was stealing and almost pressed the button to alert the cops. I was furious, and my friend said to "chill out" because it was not a big deal. We almost argued the whole car ride back until I realized my words had just cascaded onto tone-deaf ears. When I have to defend myself against racism, I am not at peace.

These stories do not begin to encompass the realities that people of color face. Speaking from my experience living in a Black identity, many white people have attempted to deflect the damage and injustice to the Black community by saying "all lives matter," bringing up Black-on-Black crime, claiming they don't see color or that Black people are paranoid about being mistreated by the police. And yet, the truth is far from an illusion and much more complex.

While violence against Black people continues, illusion runs rampant in how society, particularly white people, views racial or societal peace and the experiences of Black people.

In May 2022, a normal day of grocery shopping, in Buffalo, New York, was transformed into a scene of mass murder. Thirteen victims were shot in a racially-motivated attack that killed 10, all Black. All of these victims were hunted for the color of their skin. These people were like you and me — running errands or an employee finishing a shift when their paths crossed with a white man driven by hate.

The names of the fallen murdered in 2022 and 2023 by officers are too many to list, and yet here are a few who left too soon:

Donnell Rochester, 18, Baltimore, Maryland

Dante Kittrell, 58, South Bend, Indiana

Tyre Nichols, 29, Memphis Tennessee

Tragically, violence towards Black women receives little to no media coverage. According to Insider, the police shot and killed at least 50 Black women from February 2015 to March 2021. There are cases like Breonna Taylor, whose death sparked national news coverage, but this was an exception out of many untold stories. Rekia Boyd, for example, was a 22-year-old unarmed Black woman, and no one showed up to march at her rally even though the police went free.

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Even with our country's racist history, many white Americans fail to see the racial discrepancies and inequities directly linked to systemic racism. There has been improvement in recent decades. But, significant gaps rooted in slavery, Jim Crow and racism remain prevalent.

JAKYRA GREEN '25

In 2020, Reuters released the report, The Black and White Race Gap. The numbers show us these truths:

- Disparities for Black women begin at birth. They are three to four times more likely to die from pregnancy-related causes than white women. As for Black infants? They die twice the rate as white infants.
- Black undergraduate students owe approximately $7,000 more in student loans than their white counterparts. Friends have come to me stressed about how they'll pay their tuition. Goshen College's advice? Take out more loans. This advice doesn't reflect the realities Black students face. It only conveys the ILLUSION that everyone is on equal footing.
- Black men received prison sentences at least 20 percent or longer than white men for the exact crime. This racial-based prosecution is likely to produce wrongful convictions and disproportionate incarceration of people of color.

How is this justice? How is this peace? Issues meant to be resolved years ago affect the lives of contemporary Black society and individuals. Systemic problems like those above-involving death, debt and prison, must be addressed to achieve realistic and sustainable peace.

Many white people who are not impacted by systemic racism assume peace is universal, wanting racism fixed by ignoring race or being kind to everyone. Ignoring racism is an illusion and carries a fantasy or utopian element that is beyond reality.

According to a poll by David Binder Research, 50 percent of young white Americans say discrimination against THEM is as big a problem as discrimination against minorities, and while most of them said they feel uncomfortable discussing racial issues — I feel uncomfortable being racially profiled.

Racism, systemic racism, is another thing we have to talk about, even if you are not directly affected by it. The truth is, we cannot be the beneficiaries of an oppressive society without facing the repercussions. It is why civil unrest followed after George Floyd's death. There was an outpour of multiracial support as more people acknowledged the realities of systemic racism.

As I came across videos of his murder, I said to myself: "This hurts, but I'm not shocked." To be shocked is a privilege Black people do not have. We are always waiting for the next Floyd, praying that tomorrow, it won't be us.

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And now I ask, those of you white: Why did it take a man dying with an officer kneeling on his neck for you to think this should not be happening? Why is the only time you notice Black people when there is a major headline?

That said, the absence of violence doesn't always mean peace. Violence happens not only on the streets but in hospital rooms and grocery stores. It occurs when you remain silent during acts of injustice because you are not witnessing Black bodies being abused.

So again: how is this peace or justice if none of my people are safe?

Many of us are taught that we are all the same and that our skin color is irrelevant. That if we comply, peace works for us all the same.

If that were true, George Floyd would still be alive. His family would not mourn his death.

If that were true, if we were really all the same, I wouldn't have the lingering worry that my siblings or I could be the next MaKhia Bryant.

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Although engaging with social media and attending protests are essential, it does not stop there. It is everyday actions like who you surround yourself with and how you act when no one is watching. How do you show up for Black people in smaller ways?

Listen. When Black people tell you about their lived experience, understand they chose to do that. Understand how hard it is for them to share about a target that is always on their back, something many white people will never encounter.

And, stop equating silence with peace or lack of violence. Speak up in all areas of racial injustice.

This is just a start to incorporating peace and diversity into your life. I don't believe in giving people a manual to do better. So, go do better because these truths have always been there.

The future shouldn't be shrouded in this utopian illusion, this simplistic definition of peace bred from white silence and ignorance. Peace is complex, peace is hard, but an endurable peace created from the lens of social justice will always matter.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Caleb Shenk, a junior accounting major from Goshen, won second place in the 2023 C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest at Goshen College with his speech titled "Protesting taxation as a peace-seeking accountant." This feature is a written adaptation of his speech.

Protesting taxation as a peace-seeking accountant

I STARTED MY internship with a public accounting firm at the beginning of January — and so began my career of what my fellow accounting students and I have affectionately called "crunching and hunching."

It's much more exciting than that, though, trust me. My internship basically consists of helping businesses decide what parts of their income they pay taxes on, and it's fun to get a feel for how local businesses operate. They generally appreciate our services — especially when we find ways to lower their taxes, whether through credits, deductions or by delaying the tax into future years.

Accountants don't often criticize the idea of taxes; however, I've found it hard to reconcile parts of the tax system with my personal faith. My concern with taxes is not of dollar amount, but of what the taxes are spent on.

Personally, if I were drafted to serve in war, I would be compelled to ask for alternative service, since it goes against my beliefs. Jesus said to love your enemies, and for me, that means I can't serve in the military.

And in a draft, the United States would probably allow me to refuse military service. The Supreme Court has repeatedly allowed citizens to object from physically participating in war due to deeply held religious or moral beliefs.

What puzzles and frustrates me, however, is how this right ends at physical participation in war. I can be granted an alternative to physical killing, yet have no choice in paying taxes that fund the killing. For context, according to the War Resisters League, 37 percent of each dollar we're taxed on goes to the military.

So why should I be forced to pay others to take up arms? The issues at stake are fundamentally the same: whether it is with being drafted or taxed, I want an alternative to contribute nonviolently. As the National Campaign for Peace Tax Fund says, paying for war is morally equivalent to participating in war.

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Back to my internship. About a month ago, I had to fill out a form applying for special status from the IRS to let me prepare tax returns for people other than myself. And in doing this, I came upon a question that made me pause. I had to check a box, acknowledging that I was "compliant with federal tax laws ... and [would] pay all taxes timely." Now, this question was meant to be quickly acknowledged and confirmed — there's certainly not many accountants who are willfully evading their taxes or had to ponder this.

This issue of paying taxes that fund the military can be complex for anyone, but as an accountant, it was especially difficult for a couple of reasons. For one, I had to check that box under oath, so if I were to withhold my taxes, a mere tax evasion crime could become tax evasion plus perjury. Scary, right?!

But on top of that, the issue of war taxes as an accountant is perhaps more internal. I'm helping the government collect revenue from nine to five, but on the side, I'm challenging what those taxes are spent on. It's hard to speak out of both sides of my mouth — if I really have a problem with taxation that funds the military, why am I working as an accountant?

Now, taxation itself isn't the problem — taxes fund many social services that we benefit from, and I'm all for raising them — but the way that our country prioritizes military spending can't be separated from taxation. The question we face, then, is what to do about that 37 percent of taxes if we're compelled to resist violence.

I've wrestled with this issue in various forms throughout college. Last semester, I wrote a research paper for a Bible class on how Jesus answered the question of paying taxes to Caesar. And after choosing this topic for my paper, I realized that I had actually chosen the same passage for an economics essay two years earlier. And, in a journalism class, I wrote an op-ed a year ago on this same issue of what to do about taxes that go to the military. I sent it to my

representative — she said that she'd keep my thoughts in mind.

And perhaps most obviously, I've felt conflicted as someone with an accounting major ... and Bible and religion minor. This question of what to do with my taxes had plagued me long enough, and I wanted to use this speech to see if I could wrap a bow on it and finally figure out where I stood.

When I wrote my op-ed one year ago, I was not conflicted. I said that "I plan on not paying [the 37 percent] of my taxes [that go to the military]. I cannot in good faith pay taxes that will support [it], and I am ready to accept the consequences that may come." I knew this was illegal, but I was fine with that. I saw civil disobedience as the best and perhaps only way to protest an unjust system in hopes of changing it.

One other legal alternative that I acknowledged, and perhaps you've thought of, is the option to lower your income below the taxable line, either through taking tax deductions or refusing pay raises, so that you don't pay any income tax — and then, nothing to the military.

Ideally, though, the government would set up a legal way for peace-seeking people to redirect their taxes to nonviolent means, such as healthcare or charity. That 37 percent could pay for insulin or local public transit, instead of guns and tanks. In fact, there's a bill in Congress to establish that fund; H.R.4529, the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund Act — but it's been sitting there in some form since the late-1960s, and it's no closer to passing.

I realized soon after writing the op-ed, however, that if it's difficult to illegally withhold taxes from the government, then it's especially difficult to do it as an accountant. When I checked that box one month ago saying that I have completely paid my taxes, I had a pit in my stomach as I knew that my gutsy sophomore self would have been a bit disappointed to see me not take a stance.

But what would taking a stance look like? Is it best to break the law and lose my ability to be an accountant? I've talked to some Mennonites who believe that until we start going to jail for tax evasion, we won't see changes. That seems pretty scary.

In the accounting field, we deal with the "hows" and "how much" of taxation — the question of *whether* to pay taxes is a bit like asking whether basketball players should practice free throws: the morality of taxation to accountants is unquestioned.

And for good reason — of course accountants need to advocate for fair taxation. Our entire profession, from our rules to our paychecks, is built on the assumption that people and businesses pay their fair of taxes.

If accounting looks at laws for morality, Jesus finds another path. When asked whether to pay taxes, Jesus's famous response was to "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and give to God what is God's." Well if only it were that simple! What does that mean today? In my research, I found that the best scholars think that ... Jesus wasn't clear. Jesus didn't really take the position to reject taxes, and he also didn't take the position that you must pay taxes. Somewhere in between is the way of Jesus.

It's better to give others grace about how they choose to pay their taxes, and that grace should extend to myself as well.

In the end, I think that neither my accounting major, nor my Bible and religion minor, has all the answers for my taxes. My op-ed that thought it had all the answers probably doesn't, either. It's better to give others grace about how they choose to pay their taxes, and that grace should extend to myself as well.

The tax fund bill, for example, isn't a silver bullet. The proposed bill, decades ago, used to allow taxpayers to contribute the military portion towards charity or peace initiatives, but the proposed bill now would just pool the money to be not used for the military, and everyone else's military contributions would effectively increase — so, not actually reducing any military funding.

Does sitting in jail promote change? I've struggled to discern when to work for a middle-ground solution, and when to be uncompromising, and when to check a box.

At least in the short term, military spending isn't likely to change, and so the larger question that remains for me is the best way to work for peace. Is it by conforming to the laws for a personal peace, like paying no taxes? Or is it by uncompromisingly protesting injustices, and withholding your taxes? Does sitting in jail promote change? I've struggled to discern when to work for a middle-ground solution, and when to be uncompromising, and when to check a box.

So, for my final answer? This year, I plan to take advantage of tax deductions like retirement accounts and health savings plans to keep my income under the limit for taxation. I might not be able to lower it completely to zero, but I'll continue working at it and find my way forward, year by year.

In 2023, defense spending is budgeted to be $756 billion. Nonprofit organizations estimate that the United States could end world hunger and world homelessness with half of that budget (half!), and just half of one year of one country's spending on the military.

I have a fundamental disagreement with the way that our country prioritizes defense spending. My hope is to be able to, in some small way, participate in rerouting money from guns to food, from killing to life, and from violence to a vision bold enough to hope and work towards peace.

BY **DAN KOOP LIECHTY '88,**
director of alumni engagement & international student adviser

Recognizing our amazing alumni

IN MY ROLE as director of alumni engagement, one of my most meaningful tasks is to collect nominations for our annual alumni awards: the Culture for Service Award and the Young Alumni Servant Leadership Award.

These awards are presented each year during the convocation on Homecoming Weekend. That convocation is always well attended with alumni and their families, faculty, staff and students filling the Church-Chapel sanctuary. They have the opportunity to hear each of the awardees present a brief and powerful presentation about the impact that GC has had on their lives and vocations.

Prior to that convocation, months and sometimes years of work goes into getting the awardees to campus. We accept nominations on a rolling basis, but generally need to have a completed nomination package by January for the awards that year.

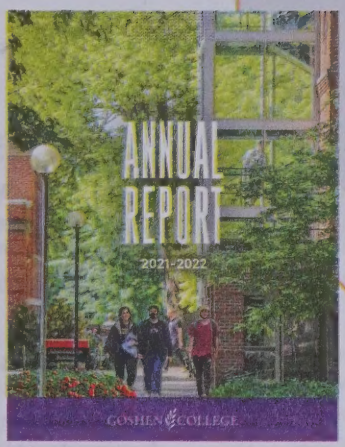
Once the initial nomination is received, we work with that nominator to find others who would be good candidates to offer additional nomination materials. Once we have a minimum of three nominators for the candidate, the executive committee of the Alumni Council and an emeritus faculty member consider the nominees and selects two Culture for Service Award finalists and one Young Alumni Servant Leader Award finalist to present to the whole Alumni Council. The council members discuss and ultimately approve the nominations in their spring meeting.

After that, we have the pleasure of contacting the awardees and asking them if they would be open to receiving the award and joining us for Homecoming Weekend. We require each awardee to be able to be present on campus, so that sometimes means moving an awardee to a different year if they have a schedule conflict.

Why are we sharing this information? First, we want the process to be as transparent as possible, but more importantly, we need you to be part of it to be successful. The nominations do not originate from the college, but rather from our alumni and friends community. We rely on you to share your knowledge of Goshen College graduates who are making a difference in our world.

So, alumni, the ball is in your court. Who will you nominate? For more information, to view previous awardees and to learn how to nominate someone, visit **goshen.edu/alumni**.

We look forward to hearing from you and bringing amazing alumni back to campus each October.



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NEWS & NOTES

Alumni Connections

1940-49

DEATHS

Ruth Rich Eash '49, wife of Gene Eash, 623 E. 5th St., Apt. 104, Solon IA 52333, died March 3, 2022.

Carol Pletcher Grady '48, West Chester, Pa., died Nov. 30, 2022.

Mary Lou Jessup Grafton '49, Shoreline, Wash., died Feb. 22, 2022.

Carolyn Weaver Hertzler '46, Philadelphia, Pa., died Oct. 13, 2022.

Ruth Alderfer Hertzler '48, Souderton, Pa., died March 2, 2022.

Miriam B. Kauffmann '48, Goshen, died Oct. 11, 2022.

Ernest McCarus, husband of **Adele Haddad McCarus '48**, 1644 Newcastle Ct., Rochester Hills MI 48306, died April 5, 2022.

John E. Nunemaker '45, Goshen, died Feb. 9, 2023.

Eunice Weaver Regier '41, Leawood, Kan., died Oct. 27, 2022.

Betty Eigsti Roeschley '48, Flanagan, Ill., died June 3, 2022.

Stanley Weaver '48, Peoria, Ariz., died Aug. 25, 2022.

Ruth Miller Yordy '45, St. Jacobs, Ontario, Canada, died Nov. 29, 2022.

1950-59

DEATHS

Charles F. Best Jr. '58, husband of Bonita Best, 1503 Spring Brooke Dr., Goshen IN 46528, died Oct. 22, 2022.

Verna Birkey '52, Willow Valley, Pa., died Nov. 29, 2022.

Ruth Ann Terrell Blush '58, wife of Lawrence Blush, 3828 County Rd. 26, Archbold OH 43502, died Oct. 30, 2022.

Warren E. Bontrager '53, husband of **Ruby Yoder Snyder '53**, 1110 Park Meadows Dr., Goshen IN 46526, died Jan. 5, 2023.

Marilyn Baker Castillo '54, Brownsville, Texas, died March 8, 2022.

Mary Martin Christophel '57, wife of **James L. Christophel '54,** 1300 Greencroft Dr., Apt. 144, Goshen IN 46526, died Dec. 27, 2022.

Raul O. Garcia '56, husband of **Anita Swartzentruber Garcia '56**, Godoy 448, 6450 Pehuajo, Buenas Aires 1407, Argentina, died Oct. 30, 2022. The Garcias were Culture for Service Awardees in 2004.

Thelma Long Gibson '51, Goshen, died Dec. 4, 2022.

Robert L. Harnish '50, Eureka, Ill., died Sept. 23, 2022.

Miriam E. Hochstetler '57, Nappanee, Ind., died March 5, 2023.

Mervin Hostetler, husband of **Margaret Miller Hostetler '55**, 6460 W. 200 S., Topeka IN 46571, died Nov. 12, 2022.

Judith Unruh Houtz '59, Goshen, died Jan. 30, 2023.

Elizabeth Beyeler Jacobs '56, Goshen, died April 1, 2023.

Mary Bontrager Jennings '55, Cottonwood, Idaho, died June 21, 2022.

E. Ellsworth Kauffman '52, Wichita, Kan., died Dec. 27, 2022.

Martin H. Kinney '52, Schererville, Ind., died Jan. 30, 2023.

Celia Gerber Lehman '57, Orrville, Ohio, died Feb. 8, 2023.

Arlene Martin Mark '55, Goshen, died Oct. 29, 2022. She compiled the first Mennonite book of worship liturgy, "Words for Worship," and was the first female chair of the Goshen College Board of Overseers, which she served on from 1976-88.

Elton Martin, husband of **Fern Cender Martin '59**, 3901 Bahia Vista St., Lot 613, Sarasota FL 34232, died March 13, 2023.

Miriam Gross Meyer '55, Dalton, Ohio, died Sept. 20, 2022.

Ruth Eigsti Miller '51, Lakewood, Colo., died Sept. 3, 2022.

Violet Hurst Miller '55, Goshen, died Sept. 25, 2022.

Thirston E. Perrin '51, Goshen, died Oct. 10, 2022.

William D. Pletcher '51, husband of Rosemary Pletcher, 3112 Mallard Ln., Goshen IN 46526, died Dec. 20, 2022.

Chester A. Raber '50, husband of **Geraldine Landis Raber '54**, 300 Saint Mark Ave., Apt. 1135, Lititz PA 17543, died Oct. 10, 2022.

H. Royce Saltzman '50, husband of **Phyllis Engle Saltzman '53**, 1375 Olive St., Apt 301, Eugene OR 97401, died April 3, 2023.

Lois Swartzendruber Rutt '56, Ithaca, N.Y., died Sept. 27, 2022.

Joellen Metzler Schurr '51, South Bend, Ind., died April 14, 2022.

Joan M. Shank '56, Cedarburg, Wis., died Oct. 8, 2022.

Jean Shankel Slemboski '59, Canton, Ohio, died Dec. 8, 2022.

Mervin J. Swartzentruber '50, Goshen, died Dec. 7, 2022.

Rebecca Sprunger Wetzel '53, Champaign, Ill., died Sept. 23, 2022.

Carolyn Rodgers Yoder '50, Wellman, Iowa, died Feb. 5, 2022.

Aden J. Yoder '53 (staff '90-93), husband of **Helen Kandel Yoder '53**, 1801 Greencroft Blvd., Apt. 408, Goshen IN 46526, died April 4, 2023.

David E. Yoder '54, husband of **Delores Stump Yoder '54**, 300 Clynelish Close, Rm. 2030, Pittsboro NC 27312, died Feb. 2, 2023.

David H. Yoder '57, Morgantown, W. Va., died Feb. 23, 2023.

James D. Yoder '53, North Newton, Kan., died Sept. 22, 2022.

K. Marlene Yoder '59, Middlebury, Ind., died Nov. 29, 2022.

Theodosia Hartzler Yoder '57, wife of **Ed Yoder '58**, 831 Ringenberg Dr., Archbold OH 43502, died Nov. 20, 2022. The Yoders were Culture for Service Awardees in 2002.

1960-69

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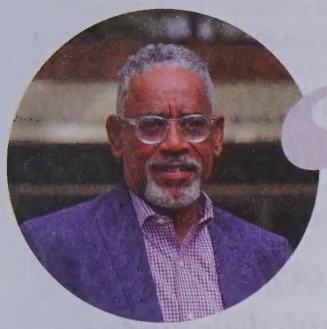
Phyllis Lehman Collier '62, Little River, S.C., enjoyed an Alaska cruise in September 2022 with **Ruth Krall '62 (faculty '65-67, '76-04)**, her GC roommate of 60 years ago.

Gary Harder '69, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, received the Alumni Ministry and Service Award from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical



WHY I GIVE TO GOSHEN...

"I give to Goshen College because Goshen College gave to me both spiritually and academically in a Christ-like way!"

— **Arvis Dawson '76**, *Elkhart, Indiana* —
Elkhart City Council member,
retired educator and a member of the
Goshen College Alumni Council

Seminary. This annual award honors alumni who have made outstanding contributions in congregational ministry, teaching, mission or peace work, spiritual direction or other ministries. 1

Richard Kauffman '68, Goshen, ended as interim pastoral team member at Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship on July 31, 2022.

DEATHS

A. Donald Augsburger '65, Harrisonburg, Va., died Nov. 27, 2022.

Norman A. Bovee '69, husband of Joan Bovee, 4750 S. 1100 E., Wolcottville IN 46795, died Aug. 10, 2022.

B. Urbane Byer '62, husband of Janet Byler, 1801 Greencroft Blvd., Apt. 113, Goshen IN 46526, died Dec. 9, 2022.

James H. Clymer '62, husband of **Charlene Alderfer Clymer '60**, 3205 Mallard Ln., Goshen IN 46526, died Nov. 1, 2022.

LaVon Springer Devlin '60, Missoula, Mont., died July 13, 2022.

Annie Rempel Falk '62, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, died April 24, 2022.

James K. Gehman '66, husband of Sandra Gehman, 7431 Justice Farm Ln., Wallops Island, VA 23337, died Aug. 19, 2022.

John G. Graff, husband of **Susan Schrock Graff '65**, 8040 Lindy Ln., Harbor Springs MI 49740, died Oct. 12, 2022.

Daniel L. Haarer '62, Goshen, died Sept. 28, 2022.

Merle R. Holden, husband of **Judith Swihart Holden '64**, P.O. Box 207, Nappanee IN 46550, died Oct. 10, 2022.

Violet Oesch Hollopeter '60, Angola, Ind., died April 6, 2022.

V. Ann Welborn Hoover '66, St. Cloud, Minn., died Dec. 4, 2022.

Byrdalene Wyse Horst '64, Goshen, died March 21, 2023.

Rhoda Amstutz Imhoff '64, wife of **Ralph Imhoff '64**, 2555 N. Price Rd., Apt. 1133, Chandler AZ 85224, died May 2, 2022.

Lawrence W. Manglitz '61, Grand Rapids, Mich., died June 12, 2022.

Elizabeth Lehman Martin '65, wife of **Ronald Martin '64**, 4235 Clearcreek Valley Rd., Wooster OH 44691, died Jan. 30, 2023.

Nancy Litwiller Miller '62, wife of **Carl E. Miller '62**, 305 Sombrero Blvd., Marathon FL 33050, died Nov. 25, 2022.

Nancy Reedy Miller '61, Goshen, died Oct. 1, 2022.

Charles H. Montoya '66, Winchester, Va., died Jan. 23, 2023.

Charles Norman, husband of **Connie Becker Klopfenstein '67**, 107 Dahlia Dr., Griffin GA 30223, died May 15, 2022.

Donald Pettengilll, husband of **Delores Lambright Pettengill '61**, 2439 N. Jefferson St., Ottumwa IA 52501, died May 27, 2022.

Richard Pyles, husband of **Elizabeth Yoder Pyles '65**, 8135 Beechmont Ave., Apt. E126, Cincinnati OH 45255, died Sept. 22, 2022.

Stanley G. Reedy '62 (faculty '94-96), husband of **Janet Umble Reedy '62**, 630 14th St. NE #2, Washington DC 20002, died Dec. 30, 2022.

Dennis W. Risser, husband of **Alice Yoder Risser '62**, 2030 Dedham Ct., Goshen IN 46526, died Nov. 28, 2022.

Albert R. Schlabach '68, husband of **Mary Beth Kaufmann Schlabach '63**, 19385 Cypress Ridge Ter., Apt. 522, Leesburg VA 20176, died Oct. 28, 2022.

Esther Lehman Shallenbarger '68, Goshen, died Dec. 19, 2022.

Iva Bowman Sherck '60, Auburn, Ind., died Feb. 15, 2023.

Charlotte Stoltzfus, wife of **C. Martin Stoltzfus '64**, 3 Russell Slade Blvd., Unit 432, Coralville IA 52241, died Sept. 9, 2022.

Sharon Egli Sundheimer '62, wife of **James Sundheimer '60,** 7956 Pearl St., Alta Loma CA 91701, died Sept. 5, 2022.

Allen C. Tice '63, husband of Maryellen Weinberg, 175 Adams St., Apt. 3H, Brooklyn NY 11201, died Nov. 26, 2022.

1970-74

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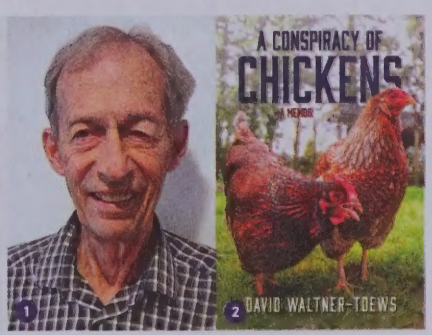
Rachel Nafziger Hartzler '70, Goshen, began as part-time interim pastor at Sunnyside Mennonite Church on Jan. 1, 2023.

John Mishler '72 (faculty '85-present), Goshen, was the winner of the Dr. Dan and Dr. Linda Burns Purchase Award for his painted aluminum sculpture, "Corabell Blues," at the 44th Elkhart Juried Regional Exhibition at the Midwest Museum of American Art.

David Waltner-Toews '71, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, is author of a memoir, "A Conspiracy of Chickens" (Wolsak & Wynn, 2022), "about raising urban chickens in downtown Kitchener, the Chinese zodiac, urban ecology, predators, retirement and the true cost of eggs." 2



WHY I GIVE TO GOSHEN...

Whenever I return to Goshen, I am always reminded that Goshen College is a place that attracts quality people. In any setting (May Term canoe trip, lunch in the cafeteria, the basketball court, Alumni Council meetings or just walking across campus), the students, faculty, staff and alumni impress me with their kindness, thoughtfulness, passion and intelligence. Donating to GC is a way for me to support these good people as they work to make their community and the world a better place."

— **Gretchen Nyce '93**, Harrisonburg, Virginia —
self-employed on home and landscaping projects,
chair of the Goshen College Alumni Council

DEATHS

J. Robert Brandeberry '73, husband of Wendy Lanman, 15770 Lambordy Ave., Turlock CA 95380, died April 16, 2022.

Anita Warkentin Brendle '71, Lititz, Pa., died Jan. 8, 2023.

Ruth E. Wenger '73, wife of Judy Wilson, 30433 E Barrier Reef Bvld., Lewes DE 19958, died March 23, 2023.

Jerilyn West Ingle '74, Elkhart, Ind., died Jan. 10, 2023.

Phillip R. Kilmer '72, husband of Arleta Kilmer, 67729 Franklin St., Goshen IN 46528, died Feb. 2, 2023.

Elizabeth Loux Kraybill '70, wife of **Donald Kraybill '69**, 421 Penn Oak Ct., Harleysville PA 19438, died Dec. 24, 2022.

1975-79

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Janice Martin Baldauf '76 retired from Petra Church, New Holland, Pa., after 26 years as communications administrator. In September 2022 she assumed a part-time position as prayer director for Ten Million for Christ, a ministry focused primarily on outreach and service in Romania. 3

Paul Keim '79 (faculty '97-present), Goshen, is half-time student services coordinator at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. He continues to serve the seminary's Bible department as a core adjunct faculty member. 4

Dick Lehman '76, Goshen, was winner of the Janet Evanega Purchase Award for his stoneware, "Wall Platter," at the 44th Elkhart Juried Regional Exhibition at the Midwest Museum of American Art.

Max Mault '76, Goshen, received the 2023 Outstanding Middle School Educator Award at the January meeting of the Indiana Music Educators Association. For 46 years he has served as band director for students at Goshen intermediate and junior high schools.

Jeff Rasley '75, Indianapolis, Ind., put together a guidebook, "72 Wisdoms" (2022), to enhance spiritual, psychological and philosophical health, covering topics ranging from ordinary daily concerns to the deepest philosophical questions.

Dan Shenk '75, Goshen, a self-employed copy editor since 1990 who has edited more than 50 books, wrote his own book, "You

Are More Than Your Score: On Sports and Spirituality" (Author Academy Elite, 2022).

Jan Bender Shetler '78 (faculty '99-present), Goshen, director of global engagement and professor of history at Goshen College, has spent the past 40 years conducting and analyzing oral history research on cultural memory in Tanzania. In summer 2022, her research entered a new phase with the official public launch of the Mara Cultural Heritage Digital Library (MCHDL). The database collects more than 300 interviews into one easily accessible location, including video, audio, transcripts, fieldnotes and photographs.

Randall Springer '75, Hopedale, Ill., began a new position as chair of the board of directors at Pepper Maintenance Systems, Inc.

DEATH

Leon Detwiler, husband of **Ruth Janzen Detwiler '76**, 514 Creamery Rd., Telford PA 18969, died Nov. 1, 2022.

1980-84

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Bruce Bishop '80, Goshen, was winner of the Jack and Karen Cittadine Purchase Award for his stoneware, "Of Love and Laughter," at the 44th Elkhart Juried Regional Exhibition at the Midwest Museum of American Art.

Rebecca Burkholder '82, Lancaster, Pa., is director of the international program for Mennonite Central Committee US, based in Akron, Pa. In February 2022, she and her husband Blaine Derstine completed six years (2016-2022) with MCC as area directors for Central Southern and Northeast Asia, based in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Lisa Guedea Carreño '84 (administrative faculty '00-14), director of the Elkhart (Ind.) Public Library, was presented the Minority Business Excellence Award for Nonprofit Leadership by the Elkhart Chamber of Commerce at their annual meeting in March 2023.

Randy Horst '83 (faculty '88-92, '09-22), Goshen, won the Jack & Karen Cittadine Best of Show for his drawing, "Mrs. Lots Attention," at the 44th Elkhart Juried Regional Exhibition at the Midwest Museum of American Art.

Donald Lanctot '80, Bristol, Ind., taught a course with the Lifelong Learning Institute at Greencroft Community Center titled, "She Ain't Exactly Your Aunt Bea: Images of Aging in Elizabeth Strout's Novel 'Olive Kitteridge.'"

Douglas Landis '81, professor in the department of entomology at Michigan State University, gave the 12th Charles Valentine Riley Memorial Lecture, "Designing Pest Suppressive Agricultural Landscapes for a Changing World," at the American Association for the Advancement of Science headquarters in November 2022 in Washington, D.C. The first lecture in 2010 was presented by **Roger Beachy '66**, then director of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

Dan Schrock '81, Goshen, a core adjunct faculty member at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary who teaches in the field of spiritual direction, was appointed co-director of a new doctor of ministry in leadership degree deliberately developed with an Anabaptist framework. It is also the first D.Min. in the United States and Canada approved by the Association of Theological Schools to be designed from the outset as a competency-based program. The first cohort of students began in January 2023. 5

DEATHS

Elaine Anderson '81, Elkhart, Ind., died Dec. 25, 2022.

David A. Berkey '83, Albuquerque, N.M., died March 17, 2023.

Kenneth A. Martin '81, husband of Arleta Martin, 471 Diana Ct., Rockingham VA 22801, died Jan. 16, 2023.

Catherine Bomberger Custalow '83, Charlottesville, Va., died Oct. 29, 2022.

Craig M. Oswald '81, husband of **Charlotte Yoder Oswald '81**, 25849 Woodsedge Dr., Elkhart IN 46514, died March 3, 2022.

Karen Schrock Yoder '82, wife of Daniel Yoder, 18052 County Road 126, Goshen IN 46528, died March 26, 2023.

1985-89

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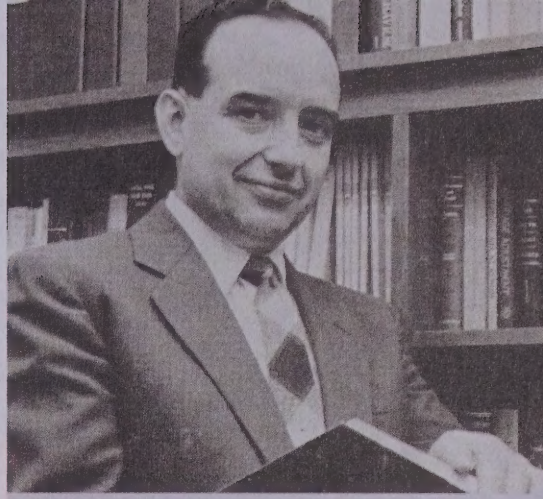
Greg Beachey '86, Silt, Colo., was inducted into the American Academy of Chefs in August 2022. 6

Sonja Bontrager '87, Wichita, Kan., assistant professor of Spanish and co-director of Hispanic Initiatives at Newman University, was awarded the Martin Luther King Jr. Distinguished Award for faculty by the university for the many years of work she has done promoting inclusiveness, raising awareness of the voices and the needs of Latino students and marginalized communities. 7

Laurie Virgil Gray '86, Fort Wayne, Ind., works as a court-appointed guardian ad litem in child welfare cases and as an adjunct professor at the University of Saint Francis.

Edward Zuercher '87, Phoenix, Ariz., who served the City of Phoenix for 28 years, including eight years as city manager, has been selected to lead the Maricopa Association of Governments after a



Lester Glick '41 featured on Malcolm Gladwell's podcast

Lester Glick '41, *(above)* former Goshen College professor of social work who died in 2003, was the subject of an episode of Malcolm Gladwell's podcast Revisionist History in October 2022. The episode, called "The Mennonite National Anthem," focused on Glick's year in the Minnesota Starvation Experiment, what sacrifice means and how we make sense of suffering.

As a conscientious objector during World War II, Glick volunteered to be a part of the experiment as an alternative to fighting and as an act of sacrifice for others that he felt called to by his faith and Matthew 25:35.

"For Mennonites, certainly of Lester Glick's generation, but I would say across generations, the reading of Matthew 25 is a literal reading. It is a powerful invitation to step out of your comfort zone and go to places that are dangerous and risky and uncomfortable in order to do good," said **Duane Stoltzfus '81**, professor of communication, who was interviewed in the episode.

The experiment left Glick with a life-long eating disorder and he contracted Tuberculosis during the year of voluntary famine-like starvation, and yet not regretting the decision. After being told he couldn't withstand the rigors of medical school, Glick turned to social work. He eventually started the social work program at GC.

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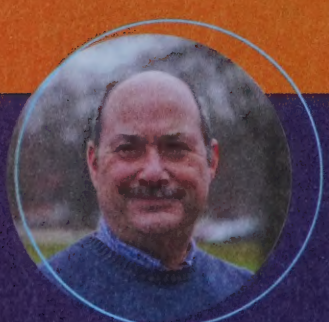

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unanimous vote by the MAG Regional Council. MAG serves as the planning organization for transportation in the Maricopa region of more than 10,000 square miles. Included are 27 cities and towns, three Native nations, Maricopa County and portions of Pina County. He currently serves as a managing director at Ernst & Young, LLP.

DEATHS

Jerry W. Braniff '85, husband of Dawn Braniff, 909 W. Beardsley Ave., Elkhart IN 46514, died March 13, 2022.

Bradley D. Kliewer '85, husband of **Suzanne Dyck Kliewer '85**, 6519 Leesborough Ave., Eden Prairie MN 55346, died Nov. 9, 2022.

1990-94

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Suella Lehman Gerber '94, Goshen, retired Dec. 18, 2022, from ministry at Fellowship of Hope.

Becky Whitmer Helmuth '94, New Paris, Ind., was credentialed for ministry on June 5, 2022, and installed at Hudson Lake Mennonite Church as transitional pastor on July 24, 2022. She began as part-time interim pastor at Sunnyside Mennonite Church on Jan. 1, 2023. She continues as transitional pastor at Hudson Lake.

David Maugel '92, Wakarusa, Ind., was named superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese. He served as associate superintendent for the last two years. The diocese has four high schools and 39 grade schools.

Sharon Brugger Norton '92, Goshen, was ordained on Oct. 2, 2022. She is leader of Outdoor Sanctuary, Wild Church of Goshen and transitional pastor at Fellowship of Hope.

Steve Norton '91, Goshen, is assistant director of the Journey Missional Leadership Development Program and program coordinator for the Church Leadership Center at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. 8

Brent Reinhardt '92, Goshen, is an assistant coach for women's basketball at Bethany Christian School. The 2022-23 team won the Class 1A sectional, regional and semi-state titles before being defeated at state.

Joni Sancken '93, Oakwood, Ohio, associate professor of homiletics at United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, wrote "All Our Griefs to Bear: Responding with Resilience after Collective Trauma" (Herald Press, 2022) to explain the effects of individual and collective trauma, and to explore practices to help build resilience for leaders and their congregations.

Jennifer Helmuth Shenk '94, Goshen, ended her time as part of the pastoral team at Kern Road Mennonite Church on April 24, 2022. In March 2023, she began to serve as interim campus pastor at Goshen College.

Chad Stoltzfus '92, Goshen, a senior vice president at Lake City Bank, is the commercial central regional manager.

Ben Stutzman '90 and **Gina Leichty '95** were awarded the Good of Goshen Award and the Keys to the City for their extensive work on First Fridays through nonprofit Downtown Goshen, Inc., which they started 15 years ago.

Douglas Witmer '93, Philadelphia, Pa., had an exhibition "Douglas Witmer — Call and Response," at The Midwest Museum of American Art in Elkhart, Ind., from Jan. 13 to March 5, 2023. This multi-faceted project highlighted his recent work, while demonstrating the integral relationship between an artist and a museum and the dialogues artists form with art that comes before them.

DEATHS

Betty Powell Beachy '90, wife of **Mark Beachy '90**, 42585 County 81, Browerville MN 56438, died Nov. 7, 2022.

John S. Moyer '93, husband of **Angela Knepp Moyer '93**, 445 Hillcrest Dr., Goshen IN 46528 died Oct. 18, 2022.

Kay Keim Nusbaum '94, wife of Randy Nusbaum, 512 Glenwood Dr., Goshen IN 46526, died Dec. 9, 2022.

Kurt E. Stutzman '91, husband of Martha Stutzman, 8266 County Road 192, Holmesville OH 44633, died March 6, 2023.

1995-99

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Angela Gingerich '96 is working as a behavioral health clinician with the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Indians on their reservation in Fulton, Mich. She lives on the reservation part time and in Goshen part time.

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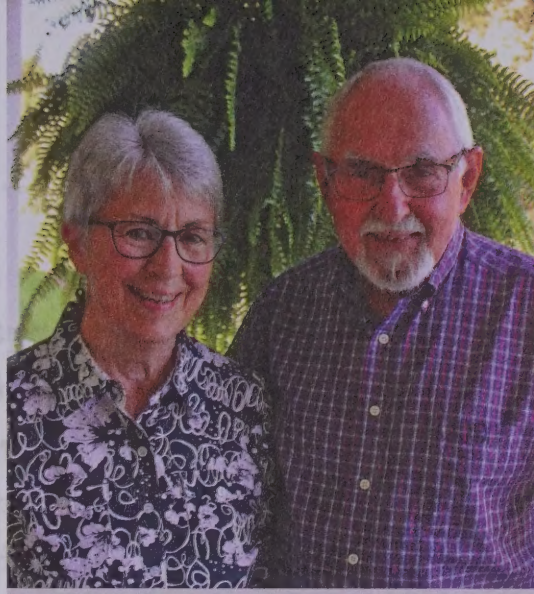

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Ervie '65 and Mary '71 Glick awarded Everence's National Journey Award

Everence, a stewardship ministry of Mennonite Church USA and other churches, recently honored **Ervie '65** and **Mary Glick '71** *(above)* for their spirit of generosity and long record of service to people from all over the world by presenting them with their National Journey Award.

Ervie and Mary have a strong track record of serving others. They've helped refugees from Vietnam, Bosnia, Congo, Cuba, Iraq and Ukraine by finding and furnishing places to live and teaching them English. They also spent time in Kenya building dams to help with water supply.

When Everence asked Ervie and Mary what motivates them to devote so much of their time to service, Ervie said: "You could point to various Scriptures. It's our belief, our faith, to reach out to people in need, people who are struggling."

Mary notes that it helps to know what it feels like to be the outsiders. She and Ervie lived abroad more than once, including several years in Germany and six months in Vietnam. "You remember what it's like to be a foreigner yourself, learning a new language and how to fit in culturally."

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I give to Goshen because the 'Culture for Service' motto has shaped me into the person I am today and the work I find fulfillment in. I was given the chance to travel, learn about what service means to me, and how I can find smaller, intricate ways to continue doing service for those around me. I hope that current and future students are able to find that for themselves and what that means and looks like for them."

— Pamela Ortiz '21, Chicago, Illinois —
immigrant community organizer,
member of the Goshen College Alumni Council

Sam Miller '96, Middlebury, Ind., assistant cross country coach at Northridge High School, coached his three sons, senior Jaxon and freshman twins Baylor and Xavier during the fall 2022 state tournament run.

DEATH

Christopher D. Yoder '95, Gilroy, Calif., died Oct. 2, 2022.

2000-04

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Jordan Buschur '01, Maumee, Ohio, had a solo exhibition at Soft Projects, an artist-run gallery in Ypsilanti, Mich., in fall 2022.

Kevin Deary '00, Goshen, who retired as president/CEO of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Elkhart County in December 2022, now oversees training and development in the nonprofit sector for the Community Foundation of Elkhart County.

Jason M. Kauffman '04, Goshen, is the stormwater coordinator for the City of Goshen.

Chris Kingsley '04, Goshen, began Jan. 9, 2023, as ADEC's new president and chief executive officer. ADEC's mission is to advocate for and serve people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Elkhart and St. Joseph counties. He had served as president/CEO of Lacasa Inc. since 2018.

Luke D. Miller '02, from the electronic jamband Lotus, and indie-rock singer Rachel Eisenstat '06, Denver, Colo., have formed a new band, Sugar Nova. 9

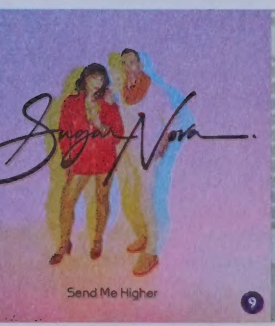
Jim Neff '00, Goshen, has been promoted to senior vice president and commercial lender in the Middlebury office of First State Bank. He manages the business lending team in the Middlebury region.

Krysten Parson '03, Goshen, is head coach for the women's basketball team at Bethany Christian School. The 2022-23 team won the Class 1A sectional, regional and semi-state titles before being defeated at state.

Justin Rothshank '00, Goshen, a ceramicist, was chosen to represent Elkhart County on the Indiana State Museum's 92 County Tree. The tree ornament features the Goshen courthouse, with a map of Elkhart County behind it, and the state bird. Also included is imagery taken from the Elkhart County Fair, some that reflects the Potawatomi tribe and an image representing the Amish culture. He also won the Best Sculpture Award and the Dr. Wes Mark and Mary Harder Purchase Award for his soda-fired earthenware, "Dinosaur Jar," at the 44th Elkhart Juried Regional Exhibition at the Midwest Museum of American Art.

Stephanie Schmidt Wieand '04, Goshen, was installed on Aug. 7, 2022, as a pastoral team member at Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship.

Margene Murdent Zink '02, South Bend, Ind., is an assistant coach for women's basketball at Bethany Christian School. The 2022-23 team won the Class 1A sectional, regional and semi-state titles before being defeated at state.



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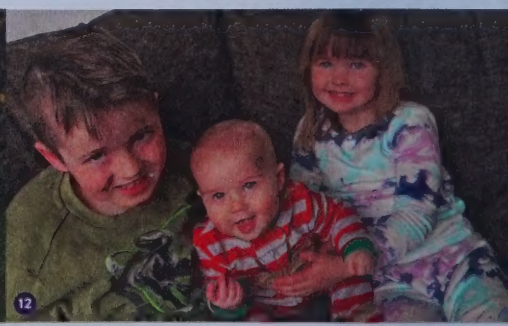
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2005

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John Eicher '05, State College, Pa., an assistant professor of history at Pennsylvania State University-Altoona, won a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) fellowship for the 2023-24 academic year. He plans to use the fellowship to continue work on his second book manuscript, "The Sword Outside, the Plague Within: The 1918 Influenza Pandemic in Europe."

Erik Hisner '05, Kokomo, Ind., athletic director and head varsity baseball coach at Eastern High School in Greentown, was named the 2022 Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association District E Coach of the Year after leading the Comets to a 23-8 record and the school's first IHSAA baseball sectional championship since 1999. He also picked up his 200th career win during the 2022 season.

2006

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Lindsay Nance '06, Brooklyn, N.Y., stars in the Hallmark Channel's romantic movie, "Made For Each Other," which premiered Feb. 25, 2023.

2008

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Paul Shetler Fast '08, Goshen, is the new executive director of Maple City Health Care Center. He was informed in January that the center received a perfect compliance score from the Federal Health Resources and Services Administration, which oversees federally qualified health centers nationally. The regular three-year compliance review was completed in fall 2022. The health center cares for more than 6,000 Goshen area residents each year.

Sara Groff '08 and Bryan Yoon, Mount Rainier, Md., celebrated the birth of Simon Yongki Yoon on Oct. 21, 2022. He joins Hana, 2. 10

Michael Malott '08 (staff '21-present) and Dru Mack, Goshen, were married on Sept. 17, 2022. Mike is the general maintenance supervisor at Goshen College. 11

2009

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Aaron Nafziger '09 and Kendra Ellington Nafziger, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Noah Ellington Nafziger on Oct. 4, 2022. He joins Luke, 6 and Lilly, 4. Aaron and Kendra opened a new Goshen restaurant, The Table @ 108, three weeks after Noah was born. 12

2010

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Alison Gotwals '10, Goshen, was named Educator of the Year by the Elkhart County Soil & Water Conservation District. She has been teaching biology and advanced environmental science at Goshen High School for 10 years. Her students have worked on various projects to transform the school campus, including planting trees, establishing a pollinator garden, installing a rain barrel and running the school composting program.

Christopher Hague '10, Austin, Texas, an ESL teacher and girl's soccer coach at International High School, received the All-District Coach of the Year 2021-2022 award. The team made it to the playoffs season for the first time in 21 years. 13

Kraig Miller '10 and **Leah Lehman Miller '11**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Waylon Thomas Miller on Sept. 6, 2022. He joins Finnegan, 6, and Agatha, 4. Kraig is working at Patterson Dental, and Leah is working as a social worker for Goshen Home Care and Hospice. 14

2011

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Orion Blaha '11 (staff '12-22), Elkhart, Ind., is assistant director of maintenance at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. 15

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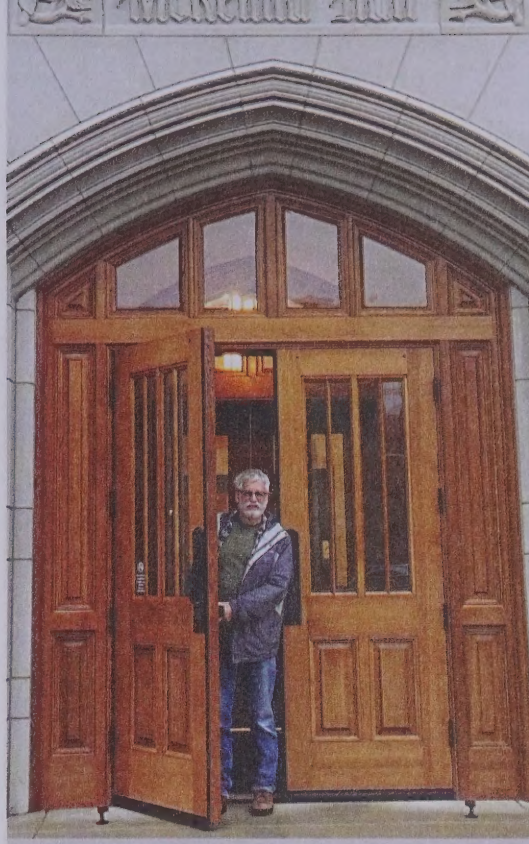

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Verlin Miller '68: The door maker of Notre Dame

If you've ever been on The University of Notre Dame's campus, you've likely seen the work of **Verlin Miller '68** *(above)*. Miller has created 300 custom doors for Notre Dame, including the doors to the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, which serves as the University church and the mother church for the Congregation of the Holy Cross in the United States. Miller says creating the doors for the Basilica as the highlight of his work.

"I see my work as a spiritual practice because I know the people who enter through these doors will be using the space for worship. In making these doors, I see my craftsmanship as an extension of the welcome to worship," Miller said in an interview with his other alma mater, Bethany Christian Schools in Goshen.

Miller is now retired, but was recently honored by Notre Dame in a video celebrating his work and dubbing him "the door maker of Notre Dame."

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Hannah Sommers '96 appointed to role at Library of Congress

Hannah Sommers '96 *(above)* was recently appointed as the new Associate Librarian for Researcher and Collections Services at the Library of Congress. Sommers will lead the future of the library's collections and the services it delivers to researchers and users. She will be central to realizing the library's aspiration to be not only the world's largest, but also the world's most-used library.

"I am inspired by the unparalleled opportunity to lead Researcher and Collections Services for the benefit of the American people now and in the future," Sommers said. "I think a lot about the opportunity to enable access to the human stories, in all their dimensions and diversity, that make up our cultural record, and what a privilege and awesome responsibility that is. To me, the story of our stewardship matters too — being mindful of the perspectives we bring to our work, of those we welcome into the field, and the learning and sometimes re-learning we do each day."

Ana Yoder Coulter '11 and Scott Coulter, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Malia Kate on July 26, 2022. She joins Emma, 6 and Jenae 3. Ana is an adjunct professor of piano and staff pianist at Goshen College, and operates a private piano studio out of her home in Goshen. 16

Trevor Daugherty '11 and **Justin Rothshank '00**, Goshen, founded the Northern Indiana Clay Alliance in an effort to make use of resources available to further opportunities for clay in Michiana. They also introduced the Marvin Bartel Scholarship for a high school senior studying art.

2012

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Bethany N. Yoder '12, Sioux Falls, S.D., completed the Journey Missional Leadership Development Program of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in 2022. She is on the lay leadership team of Sermon on the Mount Mennonite Church in Sioux Falls. Professionally, she is a life skills educator with two programs of Volunteers of America, working part time with homeless teenagers and part time with pregnant women and mothers in a chemical dependencies rehabilitation treatment center. 17

Derek Zook '12, Elkhart, Ind., was promoted to senior manager at RSM US LLP in August 2022. He has been at the firm for nine years and provides audit and business consulting services. 18

2013

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Billy Funk '13, Elkhart, Ind., was installed on Sept. 11, 2022, as a pastoral team member at Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship.

Becca H. Kraybill '13 and Edward Sinnes, Annapolis, Md., were married on Oct. 9, 2022. 19

Grant Miller '13, Kalamazoo, Mich., was ordained at Kalamazoo Mennonite Fellowship on May 22, 2022.

Lavonne Shetler '13, an English teacher at Goshen High School, is the recipient of a Lilly Endowment Teacher Creativity Fellowship. She plans to spend six weeks in Mexico and Guatemala during summer 2023, focusing on learning more Spanish and engaging more fully with Latin American cultures.

2014

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Micah Engle-Eshleman '14 (professional staff '14-17), Portland, Ore., a staff software engineer, does web development at Redwood Materials.

Sunday Mahaja '14, Goshen, was winner of the Connie Fulmer Purchase Award for his metal, "Wondering Neighbor," at the 44th Elkhart Juried Regional Exhibition at the Midwest Museum of American Art. He also had two sculptures, "Royal Highness" and "Dragon Wings," accepted for the Angola, Ind., fall 2022 display.

2016

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Benjamin Hochstetler '16 and **Anna Nafziger '16**, Chicago, Ill., were married on Sept. 3, 2022. Anna graduated from Huntington University's Doctor of Occupational Therapy Program in Aug. 2022, and works as a pediatric occupational therapist. Ben graduated from Midwestern University Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine in May 2023 and will begin residency for general surgery in Akron this summer.

2017

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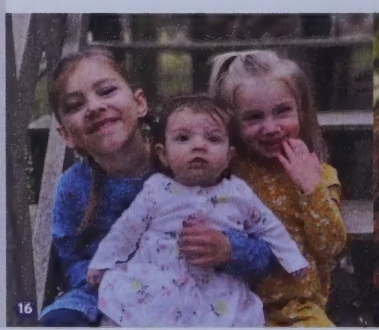
Brianne Brenneman '17 (faculty '20-present) and **Kyle Stocksdale '19**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Emmett James Stocksdale on Sept. 18, 2022. 20



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Lena Charles '18, Austin, Texas, was named Teacher of the Year at Dallas Independent School District's Price Career Institute, where she teaches Spanish.

Devin Heath-Granger '18 and Jada Bailey, Morgantown, W.Va., were married on June 25, 2022. 21

Katie J. Shank '18 and **Lukas A. Thompson '19**, Goshen, were married on May 21, 2022. 22

Kelly Dettbrenner Simpson '18, Goshen, is a nurse practitioner at Goshen Physicians OB/GYN. She provides care for women from adolescence through post-menopausal years.

FACULTY AND STAFF

NOTES

Luke Norell (administrative faculty '13-present) and **Mary Rose Norell (administrative faculty '14-present)**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Roselena Anastasia Norell on Jan. 16, 2023. She joins Lawrence, 4, and Nicholas, 2.

Emily Osborne (administrative faculty '17-present) and Alex Osborne, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Emersyn Marie Osborne on Feb. 16, 2023.

Gilberto Pérez Jr., (administrative faculty '12-present), Goshen, was awarded the Thomas I. Atkins Recognition for Minority In/Owned Business: Gilberto Pérez Jr. Bienvenido Community Solutions LLC at the 7th Annual Elkhart County Business Legacy Hall of Fame Gala in October 2022. The Business Legacy Hall of Fame aims to preserve and recognize the history of Elkhart County while celebrating current business leaders for their influence and leadership.

Bob Yoder (administrative faculty '03-18), Goshen, is director of development at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. 23

DEATHS

Michael Horvath, husband of **Karen Horvath (faculty '15-present)**, Elkhart, Ind., died Dec. 27, 2022.

O.K. Sevy (staff '81-99), New Paris, Ind., died Jan. 3, 2023.

MASTER'S DEGREES

NOTE

Lylian Hermann MSN '22 (family nurse practitioner), Goshen, has joined Goshen Physicians Family Medicine Milford as a family nurse practitioner. Her services range from preventive care and wellness visits to treatment for acute illnesses and management of chronic diseases.

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An apology

In the Fall/Winter 2022 issue profile on page 17 of **Stefon Luckey '15**, a Young Alumni Servant Leadership Award recipient, we regret that we didn't use adoption appropriate language when referring to his mom, aunt and uncle. They are his family and didn't need any qualification.

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Semi-pro soccer comes to Goshen

The Goshen community's first semi-professional soccer club, Goshen City FC, made its debut this spring. This team was founded and led by 2022 Goshen College graduate, **Henrique Eichenberger '22** *(above left)*, and is coached by **Tyler Born '19** *(above right)*. They are helping continue to spread "Culture for Service" by incorporating community service into the players' responsibilities.

In their premiere home game *(pictured above)*, which are all being played at the Goshen College Soccer Complex, the team made a big statement by defeating their opponents from Chicago 8-0, in front of packed stands. Within the first ten minutes, **Lucas Bontreger '22** scored the first home goal in club history and finished the night with three goals. He is joined on the team by a number of other current or former Goshen College soccer players, including **Matias de Fonseca '22**, **Kyle Ramirez Ingold '19**, **Wendo Kisila '23**, **Samuel Marchi '23** and **Eli Simones '26**. Learn more about and follow the team at: **goshencityfc.com**.

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As we seek to foster the culture of giving among our alumni and friends, we are sharing your stories of why you give to Goshen. Your stories will inspire others to give.

If these stories have inspired you, you can read more, submit your own or give your own gift at:

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IN MEMORIAM

GORDON YODER

(1925-2023)

Associate Director Emeritus of College Relations

Gordon Yoder, associate director emeritus of college relations for Goshen College, died January 30, 2023. He was 97 years old.

Yoder began working at Goshen College in the Office of College Development in 1972 and retired in 2004 after 32 years of service. He was part of the team that began the college's endowment program and dedicated decades of his life to furthering the college's mission through fundraising. In his role, Yoder developed relationships with alumni and friends interested in giving financially to Goshen College.

Yoder was born on September 29, 1925, in Columbiana, Ohio, to Noah B. and Florence Yoder. Upon graduating high school in 1943, Yoder served in the U.S. Navy from 1943-46 as a signalman. Following his military service he attended Goshen College from 1947-48 but left to work at St. Joe Valley Bank for 18 years. He married **Esther A. Detwiler '48** on October 1, 1948.

Yoder is survived by three children, Diane (Bob) Hershberger, and Sanford (Julie) Yoder, both of Elkhart, and **Thomas** (Margaret Delaney) **Yoder '82** of Grand Junction, Colorado; six grandchildren, Jason Hershberger, Jaime Hershberger, Jordan (Destiny Behny) Hershberger, Jennifer (Jordan Shaw) Hershberger, Katy (Ben) Holdread and Kelly (Josh) Hooley; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; a son, Michael Yoder; and a brother, **William Yoder '43**.

Performing Arts Series
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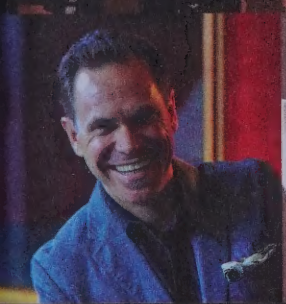

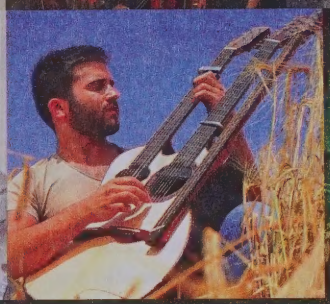

THE 2023-2024 SEASON

Flor de Toloache	Friday, September 1, 2023
The Lone Bellow	Saturday, September 23, 2023
Apollo's Fire — Handel's *Israel in Egypt*	Friday, October 20, 2023
The Wailin' Jennys	Friday, October 27, 2023
A Chanticleer Christmas	Thursday, December 7, 2023
Kurt Elling	Friday, January 26, 2024
American Patchwork Quartet and Martha Redbone Roots Project	Friday, February 16, 2024
International Guitar Night	Saturday, March 9, 2024
MALEVO	Saturday, March 23, 2024
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PROJECT TERREMOTO
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March 2, 1973
Dear Friend,
As you know, the capital city of Nicaragua was devastated by an earthquake during the early morning of December 23, 1972. The Managuan quake left 4000-6000 dead and as many as 200,000 homeless. These numbers are hard to comprehend. The damage in Managua must be unimaginable to those of us who have not been there.
Over 150 Goshen College students have
Managua under the
PROJECT TERREMOTO
PROJECT TERREMOTO
(USE YOUR COMMON CENTS)
MONEY FOR MANAGUA
El Baro Cheapo
V.F.W. MEETS

Project Terremoto: Active love through fundraising and fun

BY **JOE SPRINGER '80**, *curator, Mennonite Historical Library*

ON MARCH 17, 1973, Goshen College students organized El Carnival in the Union gymnasium. Car bash, faculty dump tank, penny pitch, pinball machines and food, food, food yielded over $1,800 towards Project Terremoto's ambitious $50,000 goal.

Days after the Fall 1972 Nicaragua Study-Service Term unit had departed the country, an earthquake devastated Managua. In January, students such as **Paul Wingard '73**, **Verlin Nafziger '74**, and **Geneva (Newcomer) Martin '73** began fundraising for what they called Project Terremoto ("earthquake" in Spanish): benefit concerts, bell-ringing coin collections and more. To draw in the wider community, they worked with the city's Jaycees Club where young business people such as **Myrl Nofziger '64** and Drew Schlichter added business savvy and contacts.

Even before El Carnival, two pickup trucks and trailers loaded with material aid — including dental equipment — were enroute to Nicaragua. El Carnival drew in everyone from school children through senior citizens. Other in-kind and cash gifts followed the event. Local high school students contributed 20 percent of their annual "Walk for Hunger" proceeds ($2,000). An Ohio widower and his second bride encouraged their wedding guests to donate rather than purchase gifts ($400). Alas, Joan Baez never accepted the group's invitation to perform an Elkhart County benefit, but still, by the end of September the group considered its $50,000 target achieved.

Over 10 percent of the aid provided direct reconstruction assistance to 50 Nicaraguan households that in the preceding five years had hosted some 150 GC students. Most of the aid was used to support reconstruction of a Nicaraguan-American school and headquarters for a national literacy program and a social service agency.

Carnival became an annual student tradition through 1994, albeit never with as bold a fundraising goal as Project Terremoto.

Pictured above:

(Left) **Phil Clemens '63** helps raise funds for Project Terremoto with bell ringing.

(Right) **John D. Zehr '74** and **John M. Yoder '74** of Yoder 2nd North, mix beverages, for "El Baro Cheapo" during El Carnival.

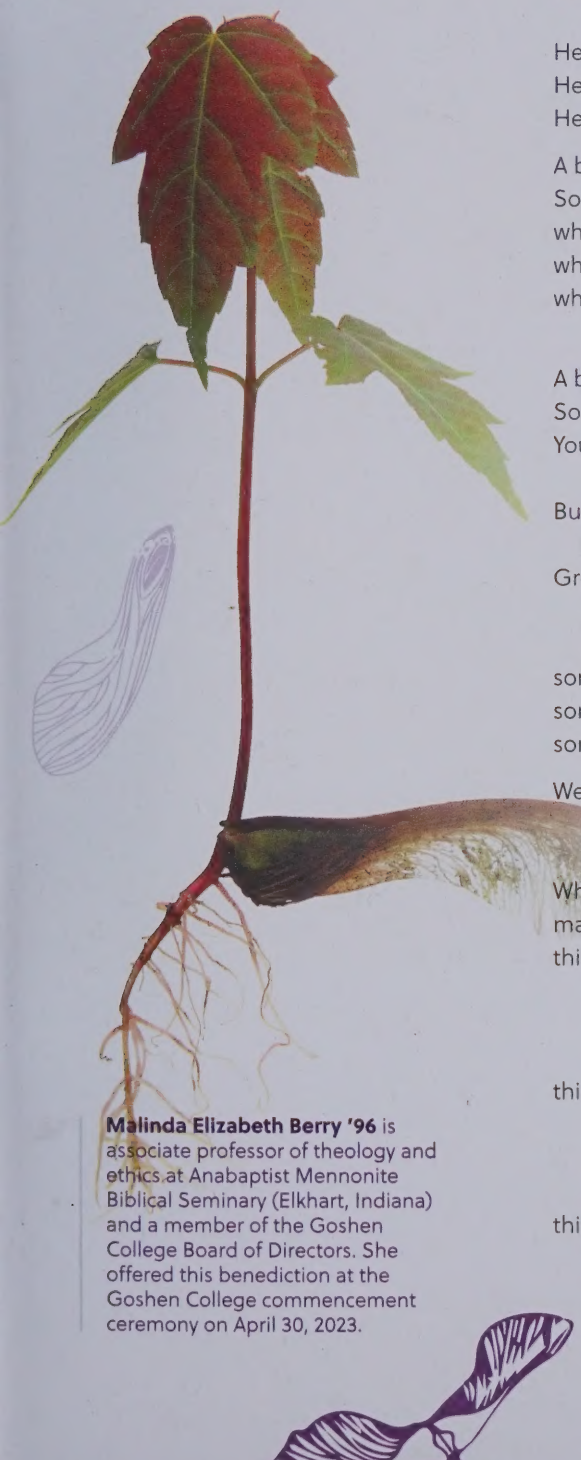
(Background) As part of fundraising, appeal letters were sent to community members by Goshen College students and the Goshen Jaycees.

Photographs courtesy of the Mennonite Historical Library.

A Commencement Benediction

With Reckless Abandon

BY **MALINDA ELIZABETH BERRY '96**



There are so many other places we could be.
But we are here.
Here. Where the Anishinaabe people have walked in balance.
Here. Where the settlers made a home and
named it for the land an ancient Pharoah gave Jacob's line.
Here. Where recreational vehicles drive prosperity.
Here. Where a Christian college marches to the beat of a different drummer.
Here. Where the leafy maples grow and multiply with reckless abandon.

A benediction is a blessing,
So I bless you in the name of the Trinity
who has gifted you with intelligence, strength, and endurance.
who calls you to share who you are and what you have with others.
who is the source of the love, gladness, and wisdom of generations that
brought you to this moment, that is embodied by these witnesses.

A benediction is also a ceremonial prayer to wish you well as you leave a place.
So this poem is my prayer for you, graduates.
You are leaving this place in a profound way today.
Others simply take their leave to return again or not.
But you, graduates, you are now bound to a community of people
who believe that culture is for service.
Great and small,
our intellects, our talents, our passions, our hopes, our dreams
are offered freely in service of an upside-down kingdom:
something the size of a seed;
something as complex and alive as soil;
something that leads from war to wholeness.

We send you graduates,
you maple keys,
from here to wherever the Wind takes you.
When you land in the place just right,
may your roots go deep and your branches reach high as you remember
this place
where the leafy maples clap their hands
alive with verdant green praise as God
stays the archer's hand and sets a new bow in the sky;
this place
where the leafy maples cheer
adorned in indescribable reds, yellows, oranges, and purples as we
gather around a broken shield.
this place
where the leafy maples grow and multiply with reckless abandon
offering the world gifts that lead from war to wholeness:
you.

Malinda Elizabeth Berry '96 is associate professor of theology and ethics at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (Elkhart, Indiana) and a member of the Goshen College Board of Directors. She offered this benediction at the Goshen College commencement ceremony on April 30, 2023.

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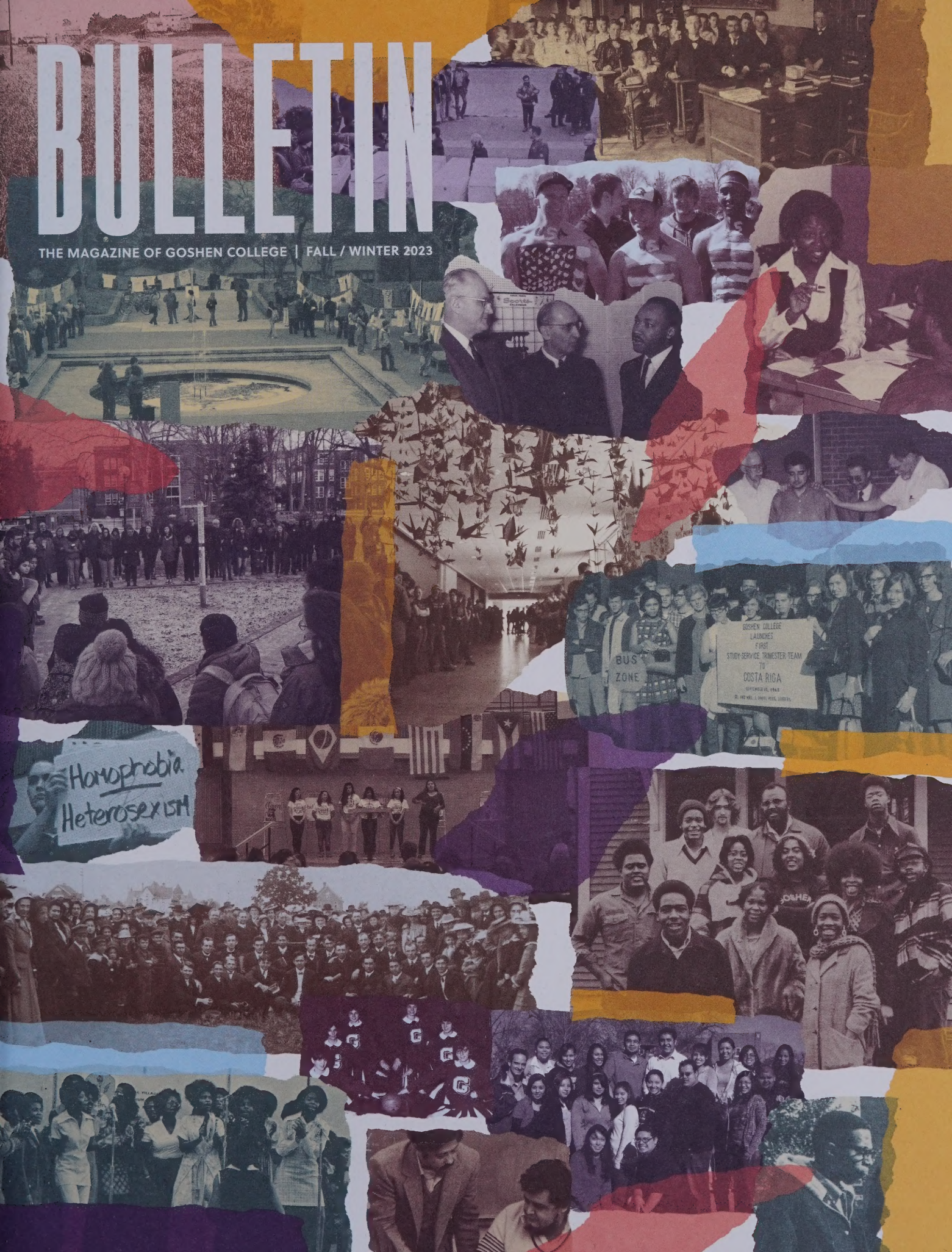

BY **REBECCA J. STOLTZFUS '83,** *president*

Subversive ideas that have made us better

THE LATE AMERICAN historian Carl Becker wrote about higher education:

> *"To establish centers of learning on the assumption that, properly supervised, no subversive ideas will be generated in them is to take a great risk."*

It is no secret and no surprise: Goshen College has been in many ways subverted – turned from below – by our inquiring and passionate students and faculty and the transformational changes they have brought about. **John D. Roth '81**, professor emeritus of history and a leading Anabaptist-Mennonite scholar, illuminates and honors that history in: *A Mennonite College for Everyone(?): Goshen College and the quest for identity and inclusion, 1960-2020.*

The stories in this book are very human – in turns dismaying and hopeful, but always soul-stirring. I was moved and fascinated by the vivid accounts and quotations from past leaders struggling to hold the tensions between stakeholders: governing boards, faculty, alumni, church leaders, community members and the students whom we serve. **At times the tensions cannot be held. Relationships are painfully severed; obligations to long-held norms and beliefs are released, allowing for growth and new possibilities. Transformation happens, with its various consequences.**

As it turns out, our deceptively simple founding motto of "Culture for Service" inspired by Jesus as the One who serves (Luke 22:27), continually transforms and challenges us, because the world we serve is dynamic and filled with magnificent diversity. That world is not external to our learning community; the world has become a part of us, and that is good.

And so our quest for identity and inclusion continues; it is part of the creative vitality of Goshen College. Tension propels our forward movement.

As I write this, many campuses are experiencing turmoil related to the heart-breaking violence unfolding in Israel/Palestine, fueling Islamophobia and anti-Semitism. The tensions that emerge on each campus are shaped by the students, faculty and local context, as well as world events. I am grateful that Goshen College demonstrates the capacity, on the whole, to address tensions with courage, creativity and compassion. In 2020, we crafted a Freedom of Speech and Expression Statement, rooted in our values, that helps us balance our commitments to free speech and to protect the dignity of all people. It is serving us well.

Our Christ-centered mission of inclusion, non-violence, reconciliation and justice is more relevant than ever. Indeed, if the ministry of reconciliation is at the heart of our Christian vocation, our most radical calling is to go deeper — not thinner — on our Anabaptist-Mennonite commitments and how they compel our work toward an identity centered in shalom. At GC our vision is that: *Rooted in the way of Jesus, we seek inclusive community and transformative justice in all that we do.*

Rebecca Stoltzfus

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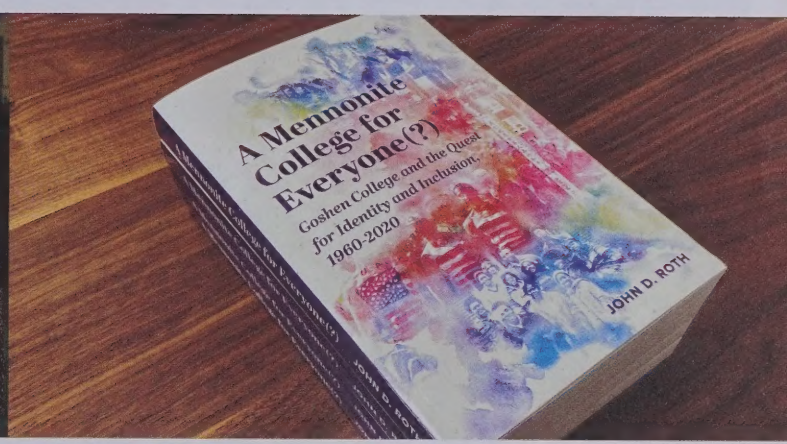

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Our 2023 alumni awardees

Read the stories of five alumni honored this year for their lives and commitments to the college's core values: **Daryl Abbott '69**, **Pauline (Graybill) Kennel '53**, **Jeremy Pope '11**, **Melissa (Lehman) Gillette '05** and **Geof Landis '76**.

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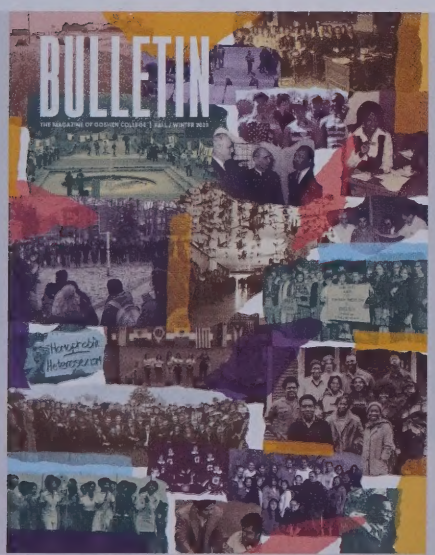
A Mennonite College for Everyone(?)

John D. Roth '81, professor emeritus of history, has written a new history book which vividly describes the transformation of Goshen College as it has wrestled with questions of identity and inclusion in a context of rapid social and cultural change.



About the cover

Illustration by **Hannah Gerig Meyer '08**

When looking back on history, it can be tempting to think that progress and transformation has been easy, fast, painless and linear. And yet, change is rarely any of those, including at Goshen College.

Rather, true transformation is messy, conflictual, slow, circular and sometimes very painful. It involves many voices, stories and perspectives — each unique, yet also overlapping and intersecting with each other. There are torn edges, missing faces and obscured details. And, there is courage, creativity and beauty woven through it all.

See pages 2-3 for a quick guide to the historic Goshen College photos on the cover.

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Open conversation and civil discourse is essential as we continue this journey. In 2020 we adopted a **Freedom of Speech and Expression Statement** to support us in that. Read it and other related resources at:

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A journey towards diversity, equity and inclusion

The many photos on this issue's cover offer a glimpse of a few of the stories over the years of the college's journey towards diversity, equity and inclusion. Here is a quick guide to those photos, which represent various facets of the journey. Learn about the new Goshen College history book, *A Mennonite College for Everyone(?): Goshen College and the Quest for Identity and Inclusion, 1960-2020*, by John D. Roth '81, professor emeritus of history, on pages 22-25. And buy your own copy of the book in order to learn more about each of these important stories.

1. Before the college moved to Goshen, the land was a wheat field, 1903.
2. GC students at a peace demonstration, 1972.
3. **Henry A. Mumaw** (1850-1908) sits at the right of this early group of Elkhart Institute students in Elkhart's Grand Army of the Republic hall during its inaugural year in 1894-95.
4. Clothesline Project acknowledging the reality of sexual abuse, 2005.
5. Goshen students (**Taylor Tenharmsel**, **Sean Doering** and **Nate West**) express their support for playing the national anthem at a Goshen College athletic event, 2010.
6. Goshen student **Herman Washington** with **Sylvia Dyson**, director of the Cross-Cultural Relations Center, 1978.
7. GC professors **Willard Smith** and **Guy F. Hershberger** with Martin Luther King, Jr. during his campus visit, 1960.
8. Goshen students organize a "walkout" around the Peace Pole following a mass shooting to call on legislators to pass stricter gun control laws, 2018.
9. Students encourage the Goshen College Board of Directors to change the hiring policy with a "Positive Purple Pep Rally," 2015.
10. Professors **John Driver**, **Rafael Barahona**, and **Ron Collins** offer a prayer of blessing for **Samuel Vallejos**, graduate of the Hispanic Ministries program, 1999.
11. Student **Anders Minter** on Advocates Day of Silence, 2000.
12. Hispanic Heritage Month convocation, 2019.
13. GC students participating in the first Study-Service Term unit to Costa Rica, 1968.
14. Goshen College's groundbreaking ceremony, June 12, 1903.
15. Black Student Union, 1975; front: **Ray Wentz**, **Rosemary Smart**, **Gloria Singleton**; middle: **Leamon Sowell**, **Debbie Blackwell**, **Jan Ingram**, **Brenda Rivers**, **David McKim**; back: **George Sharp**, **George Yoder**, **Art Griffin**, **Charles Boswell**.
16. GC student cheerleaders, 1967.
17. Center for Intercultural Teaching and Learning student cohort, 2009.
18. Ebony Voices, Goshen College's Black gospel choir, 1971.
19. Professor **Rafael Falcón** with **Nelson Castro**, a student in the Hispanic Ministries program, 1980.
20. GC student **Larry Brown**, 1968.

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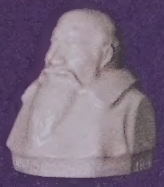

We heard from 82 of you who correctly found Menno Simons hanging out in jail in the Spring/Summer 2023 issue on page 15.

Congrats to the five lucky winners who were chosen at random to receive limited-edition Goshen College T-shirts:

1. **Barb Hershey, aunt to a graduate**
   Lititz, Pennsylvania
2. **Jamie Stiffler '09**
   Tucson, Arizona
3. **Isabel Norris, parent of a graduate**
   Lowville, New York
4. **Jack Heitz '86**
   Freeport, Illinois
5. **Sally Schreck '73**
   Goshen

We love hearing from all of you as you find where Menno is hiding (he looks just like the photo at the top, just smaller). So, when you do, submit your entry to **gcbulletin@goshen.edu** by January 31, 2024, for a chance to win. Be sure to include your name, address, T-shirt size and graduation year/affiliation with Goshen College.

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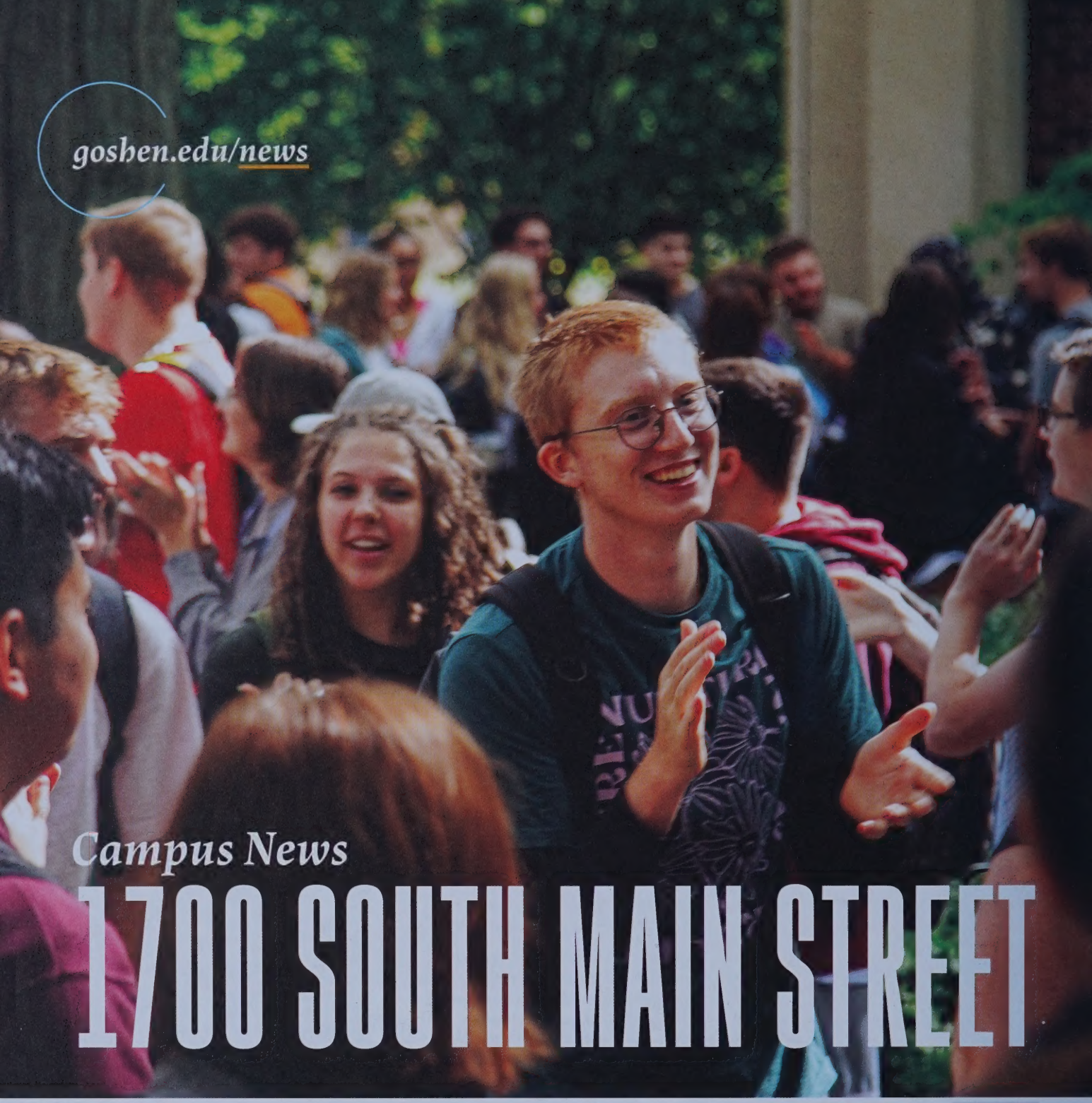

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By the numbers: Fall 2023 enrollment and retention

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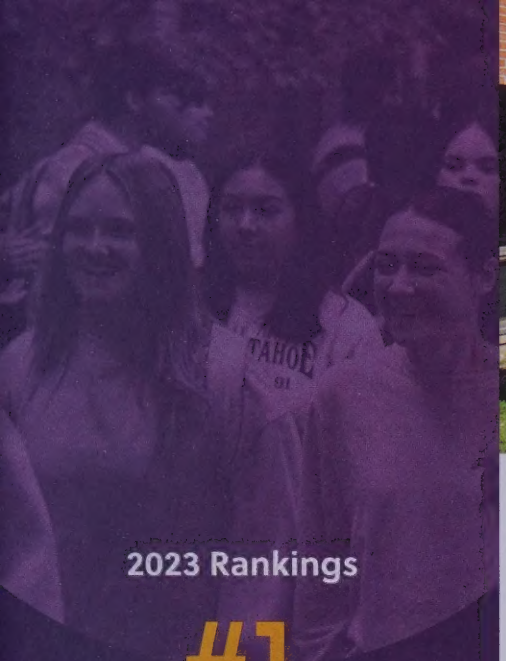

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Westlawn renovation project begins with groundbreaking event

Goshen College ceremonially broke ground on September 1 *(above)* for the historic Westlawn Hall renovation project. This $21 million renovation will allow the nursing and public health programs to grow in state-of-the-art learning spaces, as well as provide enhanced dining services and indoor and outdoor gathering spaces that serve the entire campus. Renovations are expected to be completed by early 2025.

Project details, a live webcam and photo/video updates can be found at goshen.edu/westlawn.

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College awarded $3 million grant for underrepresented student support

The U.S. Department of Education awarded Goshen College a highly competitive $3 million Title V Developing Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs) grant that will propel the institution's efforts to support student success and close the equity gap over the next five years.

The U.S. Department of Education designated Goshen College as a Hispanic Serving Institution in 2023, making Goshen eligible to apply for this funding for the first time. More than a quarter of Goshen's undergraduate students identify as Hispanic/Latinx.

The project includes four primary strategies:

- Create a Student Success Center: a centralized, welcoming space for students to connect to campus, resources and community.
- Expand the first-year program with dedicated first-year advisors and targeted course revision that help to increase academic skills, sense of belonging and engagement.
- Guide and advise students to choose a program of study and career path.
- Facilitate professional learning for faculty.

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Three seniors awarded Global Citizenship Award

In its second year, President **Rebecca Stoltzfus '83** *(above, right)* awarded the Global Citizenship Award to three seniors who best represent the college's core values: **Jakyra Green** *(above, second from left)*, an English and secondary education double major from Elkhart, received the first place award of a $10,000 scholarship. **Bongiwe Ncube** *(above, second from right)*, a molecular biology/biochemistry major from Zimbabwe, and **Caleb Shenk** *(above, left)*, an accounting major with minors in Spanish and Bible/religion from Goshen, were the two runner-ups and each received $5,000 scholarships.

Community Engagement Day celebrated

On Sept. 25 new students lived out the college's motto "Culture for Service" during the annual Community Engagement Day by serving at organizations in and around Goshen. *(Above, left to right)* first-years **Chase Smith** (Marietta, Georgia), **Kahmi Bracey** (Indianapolis), and **Lingny Acevedo** (Elkhart, Indiana).

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PETER RINGENBERG

College named one of America's Best Small Employers

This summer, Forbes ranked Goshen College one of America's Best Small Employers. The college was ranked 166 out of the top 300 companies or organizations in a variety of industries. It was one of only two education institutions in Indiana.

When asked what they love about working at Goshen College, employees answered in a variety of ways, from GC's active commitment to social justice, to the friendly campus atmosphere, to the strong sense of community.

Institute for Indonesian Academic Partnerships formed

Goshen College launched the new Institute for Indonesian Academic Partnerships (IIAP) to foster a network between Anabaptist higher education institutions, other U.S. universities, Indonesian higher education institutions and nonprofits.

The institute, formed in collaboration with Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) U.S., seeks to partner with organizations who share similar missions and values. IIAP's areas of focus include peace and reconciliation, interfaith dialogue and cooperation, environmental sustainability, ecological restoration, community health and development, and social entrepreneurship. Learn more about the IIAP at **goshen.edu/iiap**

Summer research opportunities pursued

In Goshen College's Maple (on the main campus) and Hickory (at Merry Lea) Scholars Program, students spend eight weeks in the summer focusing on a particular area of research, alongside a professor who serves as both a supervisor and colleague. Here are the projects from this summer:

STUDENT: Bree Wheeler, a senior molecular biology/biochemistry major from Goshen

FACULTY: Andy Ammons, professor of biology

RESEARCH TOPIC: forensic entomology at Witmer Woods

STUDENT: Robin Lambert '23, a social work and psychology double major from Midland, Michigan

FACULTY: Jeanette Harder, program director of the Master of Social Work program, professor of social work

RESEARCH TOPIC: Elkhart pastors' needs in providing mental health support to people in their communities

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STUDENT: Emma Zuercher '23, a sign language interpreting major and art minor from Apple Creek, Ohio

FACULTY: John Mishler '72, associate professor of art

RESEARCH TOPIC: sculpture for Mennonite Mission Network

STUDENT: Anna Osborne, a senior environmental and marine science major from North Manchester, Indiana

FACULTY: John Mischler, assistant professor of sustainability and environmental education

RESEARCH TOPIC: mycotoxins in food

STUDENT: Sarah Lopez Ramirez, a senior film production major from South Bend

FACULTY: Kyle Hufford, associate professor of communication

RESEARCH TOPIC: Goshen spotlight documentary

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STUDENT: Montce Martinez, a senior history major from Goshen

FACULTY: Elizabeth Miller '06, director of the Institute for the Study of Global Anabaptism, assistant professor of history

RESEARCH TOPIC: oral interviews conducted by Costa Rican historian Jaime Prieto of hundreds of members of Anabaptist churches

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STUDENT: Oscar Murguia, a junior history major from Orlando, Florida; **Marcella Owen**, a junior sign language interpreting major from Vicksburg, Michigan

FACULTY: Julia Schiavone Camacho, professor of history

RESEARCH TOPIC: Asian-American history in the Goshen community

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STUDENT: Lindsey Graber, a sophomore English major from Goshen

FACULTY: Joe Springer '80, Mennonite Historical Library curator, and **Sarah Mast**, cashier and accounting assistant

RESEARCH TOPIC: records from **Eli Hochstedler '65**, civil rights activist

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STUDENT: Joyce Daliya, a sophomore nursing major from India

FACULTY: Cynthia Good Kaufmann (MBA '23), director of planning and events

RESEARCH TOPIC: Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS) reporting

STUDENTS: Gonzalo Barahona, a senior biology major from Goshen; **Emily Hershberger**, a junior environmental and marine science major from Normal, Illinois; **Andrew Hoang**, a junior molecular biology/biochemistry major from Goshen; **Simon Hertzler Gascho**, a senior environmental and marine science major from Goshen; **Skylar Antonides '23**, an environmental and marine science major from Wauconda, Illinois; and **Alexa Kennel**, an environmental and marine science major from Souderton, Pennsylvania; as well as Egerton University (Kenya) students Kate Njeri Wambui and Edmond Nfor Gamngong

FACULTY: Ryan Sensenig, former professor of biological and environmental science; **John Mischler**, assistant professor of sustainability and environmental education; and **Jonathon Schramm**, professor of sustainability and environmental education

RESEARCH TOPIC: Kenya and Indiana grassland grazing

STUDENT: Aiden Schloneger, a senior environmental science major from Goshen

FACULTY: Kaeli Evans '13, Merry Lea Farm manager

RESEARCH TOPIC: rotational grazing

STUDENT: Henry Meyer, a sophomore biology major from Huntertown, Indiana

FACULTY: Ruth Mischler, assistant professor of sustainability and environmental education

RESEARCH TOPIC: chicken field coop models

Welcome: New faculty and staff

NEW TEACHING FACULTY:

Phillip Allman
associate professor of marine biology

Manu Bhattarai
assistant professor of physics

Diana Boussom '20
instructor of American Sign Language

Deena Brissett '95
associate professor of nursing

Richard Brunson
associate professor of music

Nata Fontan '18
assistant professor of social work

Carla Gull
coordinator of the Master of Arts in environmental education program

Jason Harrison '00
assistant professor of business

Roy Jackson II
assistant professor of education

Robina Sommers '89
assistant professor of education

Kortney Stern
visiting assistant professor of English

Jennifer Van Fleet
assistant professor of nursing

NEW ADMINISTRATIVE FACULTY OR STAFF (.5 FTE or higher, since Aug. 15, 2022)

Kayla Beasley
associate director of communications and marketing at Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center

Dakota Blaise
safety officer

Jordan Blank
resident director

Valeri Caldwell
program coordinator of the Area Health Education Center

Scott Campbell
physical plant custodian

Marisol Cardona Hernandez
admissions counselor

Spencer Castillo '23
admissions counselor

Paulina Diaz Solano
admissions counselor

Simelwe Dlova '17
IT services systems specialist

Aja Ellington
director of diversity, equity and inclusion and campus counselor

Jeshua Franklin
executive director of the Music Center

Victoria Green '22
assistant controller

Sarah Hinshaw '23
enrollment coordinator

Todd Johnson
K-12 coordinator for the Center for Community Engagement

Jill Koop Liechty '89
annual giving and advancement coordinator

Joel Lara '22
administrative assistant for the Center for Community Engagement

Melinda Long
Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center office manager

Duane Miller
physical plant mechanic

Lisa Miller '97
administrative assistant for academic programs

Maynard Miller '90
adult and graduate admissions counselor

Dawn Paul
administrative assistant to the academic success team

Justin Ramer
physical plant office manager

Paige Renshaw '21
coordinator of student services

Sage Sauder
AV operations manager

Ana Schwartz '15
financial aid coordinator

Jeremiah Sharp '23
residence life coordinator and environmental educator

Jen Shenk '94
campus pastor

Dave Snyder '97
database analyst and programmer

Josie Strader '22
land and facilities management assistant

Madison Swartzendruber '22
admissions counselor

Melissa Viruez
ITS Media office manager

Heather Weeks
director of admissions

Solomon Wiebe-Powell '22
systems technician

Farewell: Retirees

Gordon Bontrager '85
IT programmer analyst and senior database administrator
(26 years of service)

John Ross Buschert '81
professor of physics
(33 years of teaching)

GOSHEN
MAPLE LEAFS

Mercy Chebet '25

Hasan Hadzic '25 | JUSTIN DEWEESE

Bianca Diamond '26
ALEX STEWART

Nelson Kemboi '24
JACKSON STEINMETZ '23

Jenner Rodammer '24
ASHLEY CHRISTISON '25

SCOREBOARD

MEN'S OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

Junior **Nelson Kemboi** (Eldoret, Kenya) placed fifth out of 33 runners at the national championship to earn his fifth All-American award while at GC. Kemboi set a school record in the 5,000 meters earlier in the season, and first-year **Drew Hogan** (Goshen) did so in the 1,500 meters. Senior **Samuel Stoner-Eby** (Lancaster, Pa.) had a school record time of 48.15 at the Don Kleinow Memorial Invitational, and the 4x800-meter relay team of first-year **Anthony Roberts** (Elkhart, Ind.), sophomore **Kevin Liddell** (South Bend, Ind.), Hogan and sophomore **Jordan Garlinger** (Decatur, Ind.) beat a 10-year-old school record with a 7:33.09 time at the league meet. The men had six participants at the national championship.

WOMEN'S OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

After placing first of 19 in the 5,000-meter semifinals at the NAIA national championships, sophomore **Mercy Chebet** (Nakuru, Kenya) became an All-American with a seventh-place finish in the final. The women's 4x800-meter relay team was one position away from All-American status, coming in ninth place in the final. Junior **Mia Wellington** (Goshen), junior **Annika Alderfer Fisher** (Staunton, Va.), Chebet and junior **Summer Cooper** (Elkhart, Ind.) topped the school record in the event at the league meet with a time of 9:18.63. Wellington also set a school record in the 3,000-meter steeplechase and competed at nationals in the event, as well as first-year **Mady Axsom** (Elkhart, Ind.) in the high jump.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Junior **Hasan Hadzic** (Kakanj, Bosnia and Herzegovina) was named the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Newcomer of the Year, winning the league's Attacker of the Week in two of the five weeks he played. He was also named First-Team All-Conference with first-year **Ishmail Bangura** (Freetown, Sierra Leone). Bangura was the league's Attacker of the Week once and was tied for third in the conference with 0.35 aces per set. Additionally, he was one of six league players to make the All-Freshman team. It was announced in August that **Jeff Phillips** will serve as the team's next head coach, guiding both the men's and women's volleyball teams as director of volleyball.

SOFTBALL

The Leafs finished with 24 wins this past year, which tied the 2001 and 2022 teams for the most wins in a season. Their 16 conference wins set a new school record. Sophomore **Shea VanScoter** (Richmond, Mich.) had 70 hits, the second-most in program history. As a first-year, **Bianca Diamond** (Fontana, Calif.) had just eight strikeouts in her 150 at-bats this year, or just 5.3 percent of her appearances at the plate. Both Diamond and VanScoter made the All-Crossroads League First Team.

BASEBALL

Junior **Jenner Rodammer** (Fennville, Mich.) had the fourth-best batting average in the Crossroads League at .382, which led him to earn a spot on the All-Crossroads League First Team. First-year **Preston Anderson** (Riverside, Calif.) had a .959 fielding percentage as a right fielder/pitcher for the Maple Leafs and made the league's Gold Glove Team at the right field position as a first-year.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

The women finished the 2023 fall season with a 4-7 record. Their three conference wins are as many as the previous five seasons combined. Sophomore **Sude Aytekin** (Istanbul, Turkey), first-year **Blanka Bodo** (Budapest, Hungary) and junior **Szofia Kallai** (Budapest, Hungary) made the All-Crossroads League Team, with Bodo displaying an astonishing 8-2 record at #3 singles through the season. 1999 was the last time the Maple Leafs had three athletes on the all-league team.

MEN'S TENNIS

For the second year in a row, sophomore **Filippo Gallo** (Alassio, Italy) made the All-Crossroads League Team. Gallo had a 6-6 mark at #1 singles and never missed a match all season. The Leafs had a 3-5 conference record and lost to Marian in the Crossroads League Quarterfinals. Sophomore **Matija Margetic** (Zagreb, Croatia) and junior **Pedro Scattolon** (Rosario, Argentina) had a 6-4 record as teammates in #2 doubles.

Sude Aytekin '26 | MITCH HUPPERT

Matija Margetic '26 | SARAH FRYMAN

GC named NAIA Champions of Character Five-Star Gold Award winner

Goshen College was awarded the Champions of Character Five-Star Institution Award for the 2022-23 school year from the NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics). Goshen received the gold level after three straight years with the silver designation. Goshen continues to be among only eight schools recognized every year since the award's inception.

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Brad Stoltzfus '18 named head coach of baseball

With the resignation of Alex Childers after 11 seasons as head coach and 13 on the staff, **Brad Stoltzfus '18** was announced as the next head coach in July after being an assistant with the program since 2020 and making 199 appearances as a player at Goshen.

Jon Bemisderfer chosen as next director of tennis

In August, **Jon Bemisderfer** was chosen to serve as the next director of tennis. He has over 35 years of tennis coaching experience and most recently served as the assistant coach for the Indiana Wesleyan University women's and men's tennis teams. He was a part of four Crossroads League titles on the women's side in his four seasons with the team. He is also the owner of JBTennis, where he develops tennis players from beginners to nationally-ranked athletes in Northern Indiana.

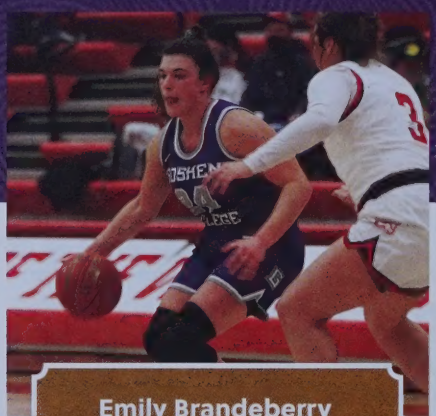
Dan Sullivan named head men's soccer coach

Dan Sullivan, who was a men's soccer assistant coach since 2016, was chosen to serve as head coach. He joined the Maple Leafs after seven seasons as the head boys soccer coach at Elkhart Memorial High School from 2009-15.

Congratulations

TO THE 2022-23 LEAFYS AWARD WINNERS!

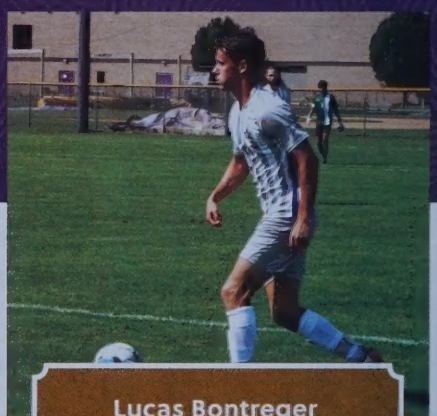
The Athletic Department presented the 2022-2023 LEAFYs Awards in September as a way to celebrate the accomplishments of the Maple Leafs student-athletes and teams over the last school year. Nominees were chosen and then voted on by athletic department head coaches and administrative staff.



Emily Brandeberry
Women's Basketball

RUTH GUNDEN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Presented to a female senior student-athlete who has had an outstanding athletic career, while exemplifying leadership, excelling in academics and contributing to the GC community.



Lucas Bontreger
Men's Soccer

JOHN INGOLD AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

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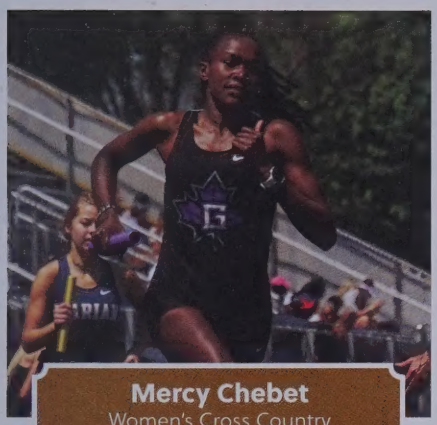
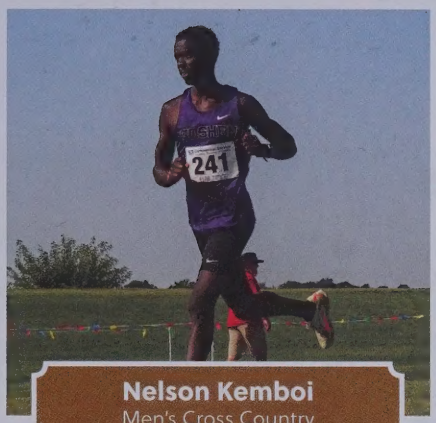


Mercy Chebet
Women's Cross Country and Track & Field

FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR



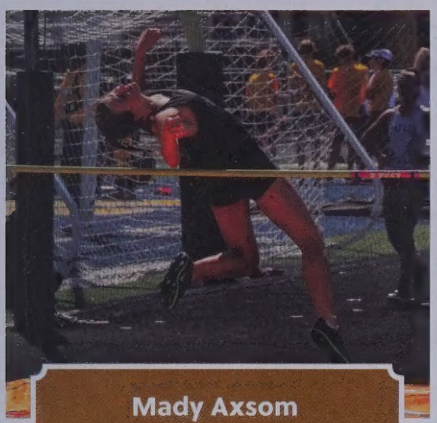
Nelson Kemboi
Men's Cross Country and Track & Field

MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Summer Cooper
Women's CrossCountry and Track & Field

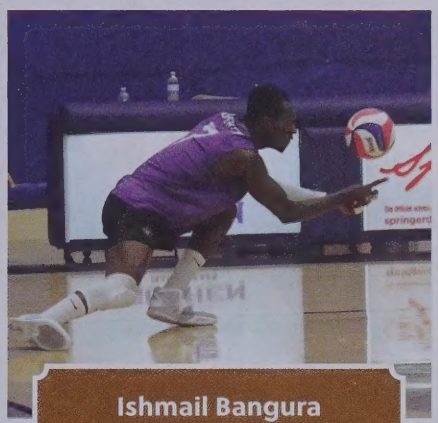
MAPLE LEAF CHARACTER AWARD

Presented to a student-athlete who exemplifies great support of Maple Leaf athletics.



Mady Axsom
Women's Track and Field

FEMALE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR



Ishmail Bangura
Men's Volleyball

MALE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

MOMENT OF THE YEAR

Baseball's walk-off upset of #21 Taylor on Senior Day

A notable play or moment by an individual or team.

VICTORY OF THE YEAR

Men's tennis upsetting #3 Indiana Wesleyan at home

A notable win, record or upset by an individual or team.

FAN OF THE YEAR

Jane Metzler '79

Presented to a fan who inspires others through their love of Maple Leafs athletics and shows what it means to be a fan.

COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD (TIE)

Rustin Nyce
cross country head coach

Luke Wagner
softball head coach

HIGHEST WOMEN'S TEAM GPA

Women's Cross Country

The team had a 3.516 cumulative GPA for the 2022-23 school year.

HIGHEST MEN'S TEAM GPA

Men's Tennis

The team had a 3.618 cumulative GPA for the 2022-23 school year.

TEAM SERVICE AWARD

Women's Basketball

Presented to the team that has continually served for the greater good of the community.

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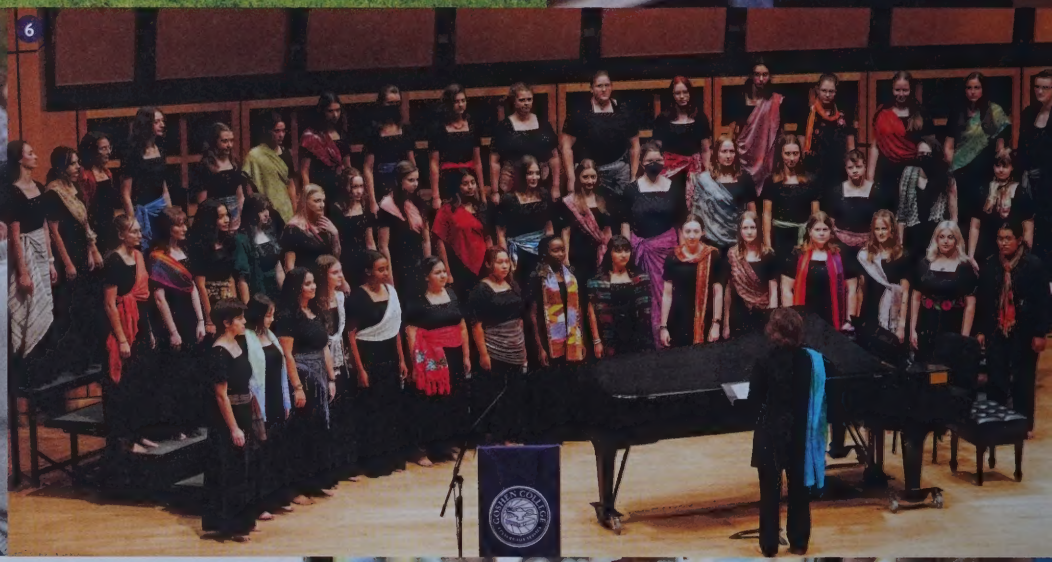

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Homecoming

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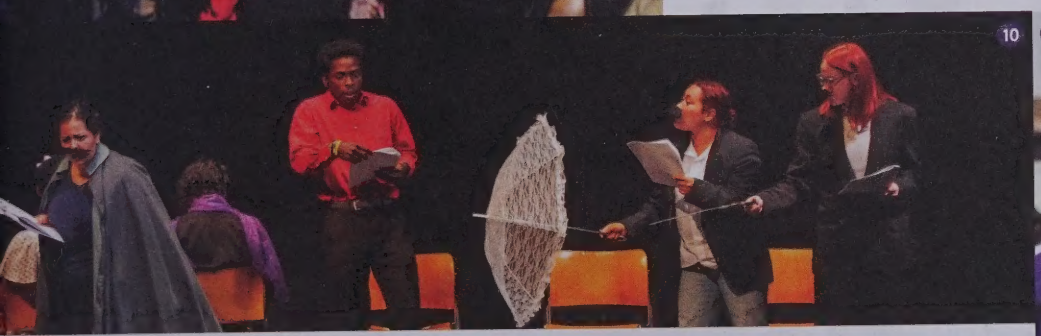


1 1973 National Qualifying Soccer Team Reunion 2 Homecoming Hymn Sing 3 Prospective students getting a tour of campus 4 Homecoming Bike Ride 5 Alumni enjoying lunch from the food trucks on campus 6 Voices of the Earth performing at the Homecoming Music Gala 7 First birthday of Dash, our black squirrel mascot, at the Homecoming Pep Rally 8 Students at the Homecoming soccer game 9 Caricatures by **Mark Daniels '00** 10 Students performing "A Comedy Renaissance (Un Renacimiento de la Comedia)" 11 Former and current men's soccer players celebrating a well-played game against #15 Indiana Wesleyan University (tied 1-1)

WANT MORE?

Check out the class reunion photos in the News and Notes section (p. 27-35). View more photos, including class reunion photos you can download, at: **goshen.edu/homecoming**

OUR 2023 ALUMNI AWARDEES

BY **JODI H. BEYELER '00, '19 (MBA), JUSTIN DEWEESE, ASHLEE HOOGENBOOM, HANNAH SCOTT-CARTER**

PHOTOS BY **JULIAN GONZALEZ**

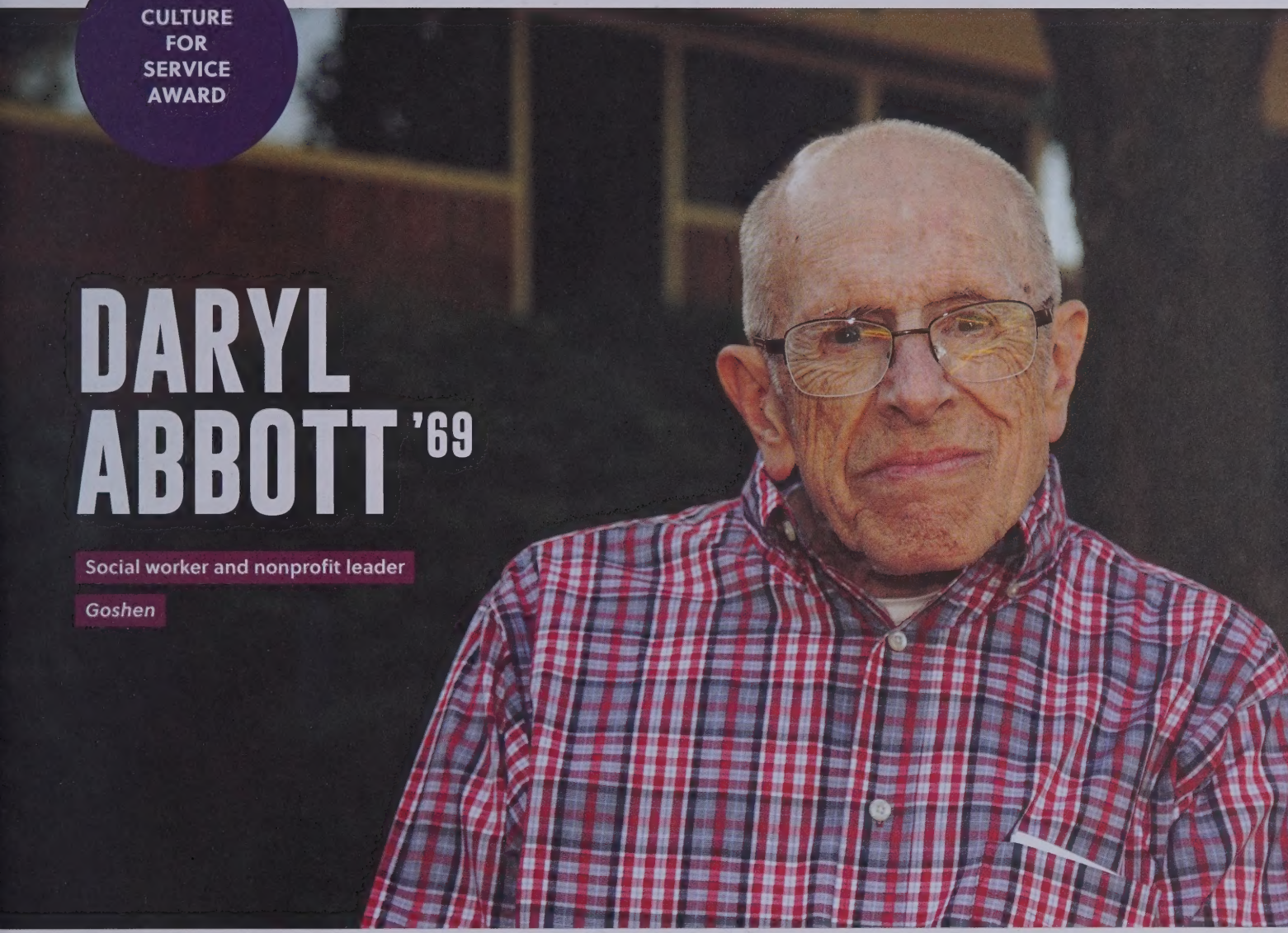
Five outstanding alumni were honored this fall for the exceptional ways they live out their commitment to service and the college's core values.

CULTURE FOR SERVICE AWARD

DARYL ABBOTT '69

Social worker and nonprofit leader

Goshen



Daryl Abbott '69 has spent his life caring for others in need. His dedication to serving others led him to a decades long career in social work.

Abbott graduated from Goshen College in 1969 with a social work major. He began his career working with the Elkhart County Department of Public Welfare. Over time, he worked his way up and became a supervisor in the Child Welfare Department. His passion for his work and dedication to making a change in people's lives, both clients and colleagues, earned him a promotion to director for the New Day Center, a developing program designed to help children and parents through providing care and resources.

As Abbott grew in his role as the center's sole employee, he continued to look for and develop new ways to serve families who came to the center. Abbott eventually grew the organization into CAPS Elkhart, a social program aimed at educating the community about the issue of child abuse within the county and beyond. Under the leadership of Abbott, CAPS grew from a single program with a single employee to a huge community resource, offering six programs and employing over 100 people.

After he retired from CAPS, Abbott continued to work in his community supporting charities providing aid and resources to those in need. He became the interim director of Loveway, an organization located in Bristol that connects disabled children with horse therapy.

"His Christian faith has always been the underlying source of his strength that has defined who he is, what he is, and to always tirelessly put others before himself," said Glenn Stevens, who recommended him. "Serving God and others defines who Daryl is."

Daryl lives in Goshen with his wife Sue Abbott. They have three adult children — Bruce, Ashley and Heather — eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. They have been active members of Bristol Community Church for more than 30 years.

CULTURE FOR SERVICE AWARD

PAULINE (GRAYBILL) KENNEL '53

Musician, church planter, pastor and teacher

Goshen

Pauline (Graybill) Kennel's '53 remarkable life journey is marked by faith, service and leadership as a musician, church planter, pastor and teacher.

Her musical talents were a cornerstone of her life and service. She graduated from Goshen College in 1953 with a music degree and went on to earn a Master of Music from West Virginia University, a Ph.D. in music education from Northwestern University, and both Master of Theology and Master of Divinity degrees from Bethany Theological Seminary. Kennel's musical journey included teaching at various educational levels, as well as serving as a minister of music in a 1,700-member Presbyterian church where she directed four choirs.

Kennel and her husband, **LeRoy '51**, were advocates for diversity and inclusion, notably in Lombard, Illinois, where they faced threats but rented an apartment to a Black family at a time when no Black people lived in the suburb, contributing to desegregation efforts.

Kennel's unwavering faith in God guided her path, leading her to break barriers and become a pioneer for women in the Mennonite Church. In 1981, she became one of the church's first licensed female ministers and was subsequently ordained in 1984.

From 1982-1989, Kennel served as the coordinator of Chicago Area Mennonites. "Pauline conveyed a real love for the city and its diverse people," said Sally Schreiner Youngquist, a former colleague in ministry who recommended her. "She had a challenging assignment coordinating 22 diverse urban congregations... She carried out this role with enthusiasm, confidence, grace and with a spirit of warmth and hospitality." From 1990 to 1996, she served as an administrator of Chicago Mennonite Learning Center.

In 1988, Kennel and her husband founded Christ Community Mennonite Church in Schaumburg, Illinois, known for its diversity and inclusive ethos. Their journey also included founding Lombard Mennonite Church and Morgantown (West Virginia) Mennonite Fellowship.

Kennel's husband LeRoy passed away in 2019. She now resides in Goshen and attends College Mennonite Church, continuing to share her gift of piano and organ music at the age of 92. She is the mother of four — **Jon Kauffmann-Kennel '76**, **Rita Lopienski '78**, **Janice Kennel Ropp '82**, **Jay Kennel '87** — grandmother to eight and great-grandmother to four.

As a coach and community leader, **Jeremy Pope '11** exemplifies what it means to put others first and has been dedicated to helping young athletes develop on and off the court.

Pope's early love of basketball as a child carried through to his time at Goshen College. While at Goshen, Pope studied business and sports management and played on the basketball team. After graduating in 2011, Pope worked as an admissions counselor for Goshen College.

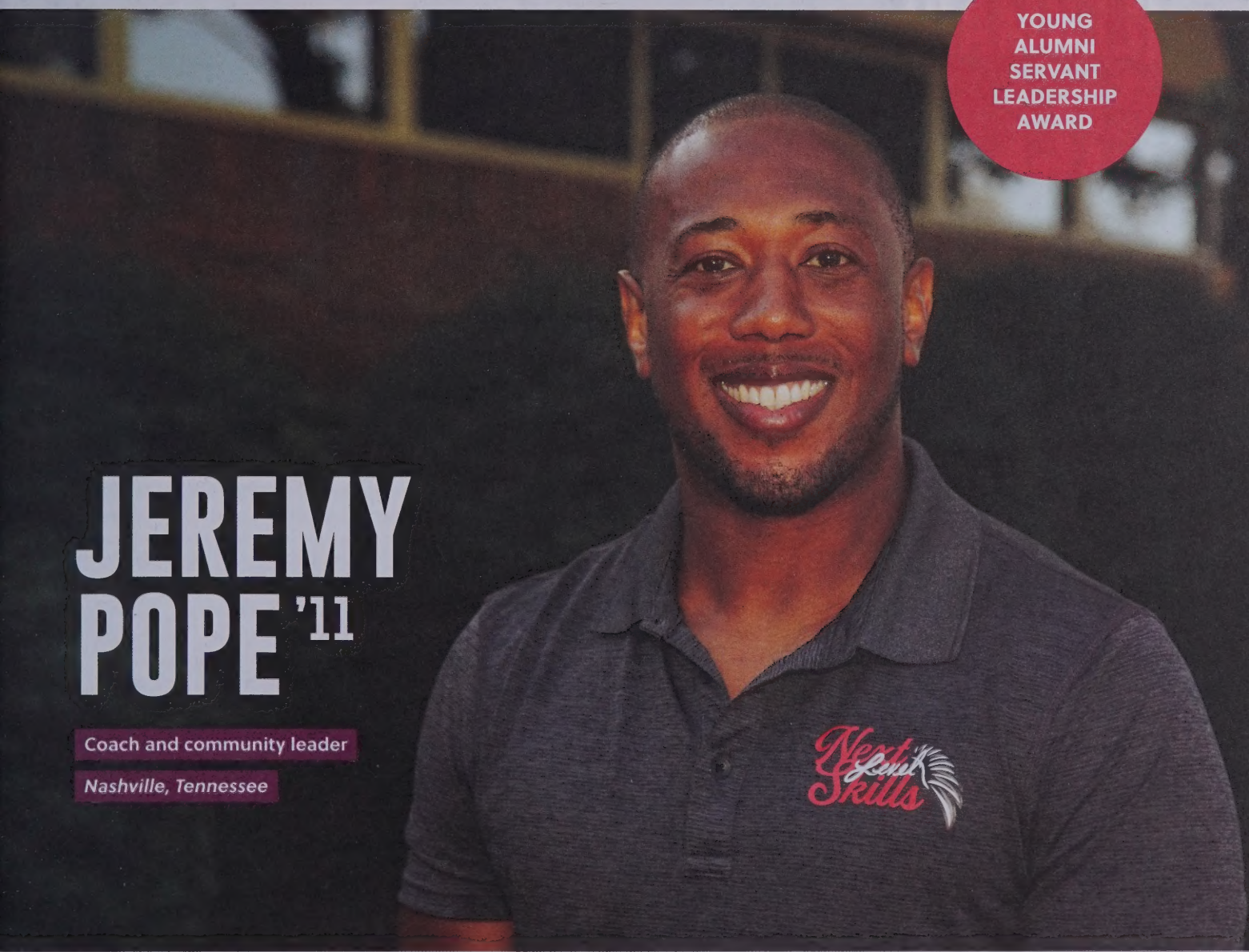
Pope then spent time working as a director of the YMCA in Tennessee, running several youth sports leagues. While there he earned a reputation as a servant leader through his caring, thoughtful and open approach.

"When it comes to being a servant leader, Coach Pope is no exception," said Kyle Barlow, who recommended him. "He exhibits selflessness all the time, whether it be helping to provide food for underserved kids, offering rides when needed, being someone to talk to, jumping in and doing menial tasks with enthusiasm."

His time at Goshen also helped Pope discover a passion for mentoring young athletes. His combined passions led him to founding Next Level Skills Basketball Academy to mentor and guide local middle school, high school and college basketball players to develop their skills and learn life lessons through the game.

In addition to the academy, Pope founded the non-profit, Next Level Skills College Prep and Recruiting, which helps prepare youth athletes to attend college, graduate with a college degree and start a professional career that they love and can use to impact their community. He is also the head varsity basketball coach at Valor Collegiate Academy.

Pope and his wife Dorina live in Nashville, Tennessee. They have two young children, Mia and Amelia.



DR. RUTH GUNDEN CHAMPION OF CHARACTER AWARD

MELISSA (LEHMAN) GILLETTE '05

Geneticist

Goshen

Melissa (Lehman) Gillette '05 uses her life experiences and faith to help people find answers and understanding. She has been a compassionate listener in her work as a geneticist in addition to having a record-breaking running career.

Gillette didn't run cross country until she was a senior in high school in Berne, Indiana. She had tried nearly all the available sports with no luck, but she was enjoying running. She went on to earn a cross country scholarship to run at Goshen College and had a phenomenal athletic career. Gillette was twice an NAIA All-American in the marathon and qualified for nationals in cross country and the steeplechase. Later she would serve as an assistant coach for the Maple Leafs. In 2012, Gillette broke the world record for the fastest woman in an indoor marathon, set at the college's Roman Gingerich Recreation-Fitness Center.

After studying biology at GC, Gillette earned her master's degree in medical molecular genetics at Indiana University and a doctorate in biology at the University of Notre Dame. Now she serves as the clinical program director of genetics and provides genetic counseling at Saint Joseph Health System in Mishawaka. Genetics is a specialty field, but rapidly growing. Gillette has made it her mission to increase its access in rural areas of northern Indiana, where there are few places for genetic services. She has helped to expand the options that are available at Saint Joseph such as offering other forms of genetic counseling and testing.

"Although Melissa is quite humble regarding her work, she is shaping the community with her research in genetics and cancer," said Goshen's head cross country coach **Rustin Nyce '02**. "She approaches her career as diligently as she approached her All-American career in college."

Gillette is married to **Justin Gillette '05**, who is also a marathon runner and a Goshen College cross country and track & field alum. They are the parents of Miles, Jasmine, Max and Micah, and attend College Mennonite Church in Goshen.

Geof Landis '76 has exemplified what it means to be a servant leader in business and on the soccer field, not only as a player, but as a coach, official and then as the Goshen Youth Soccer Organization (GYSO) president.

Landis was a four-year starter as the goalie on the Goshen College Men's Soccer Team. He was a member of the 1973 team that finished fifth in the nation at the NAIA National Soccer Tournament. He is ninth all-time at Goshen in the career goals against average list. He studied elementary education at Goshen and initially taught after graduation in 1976.

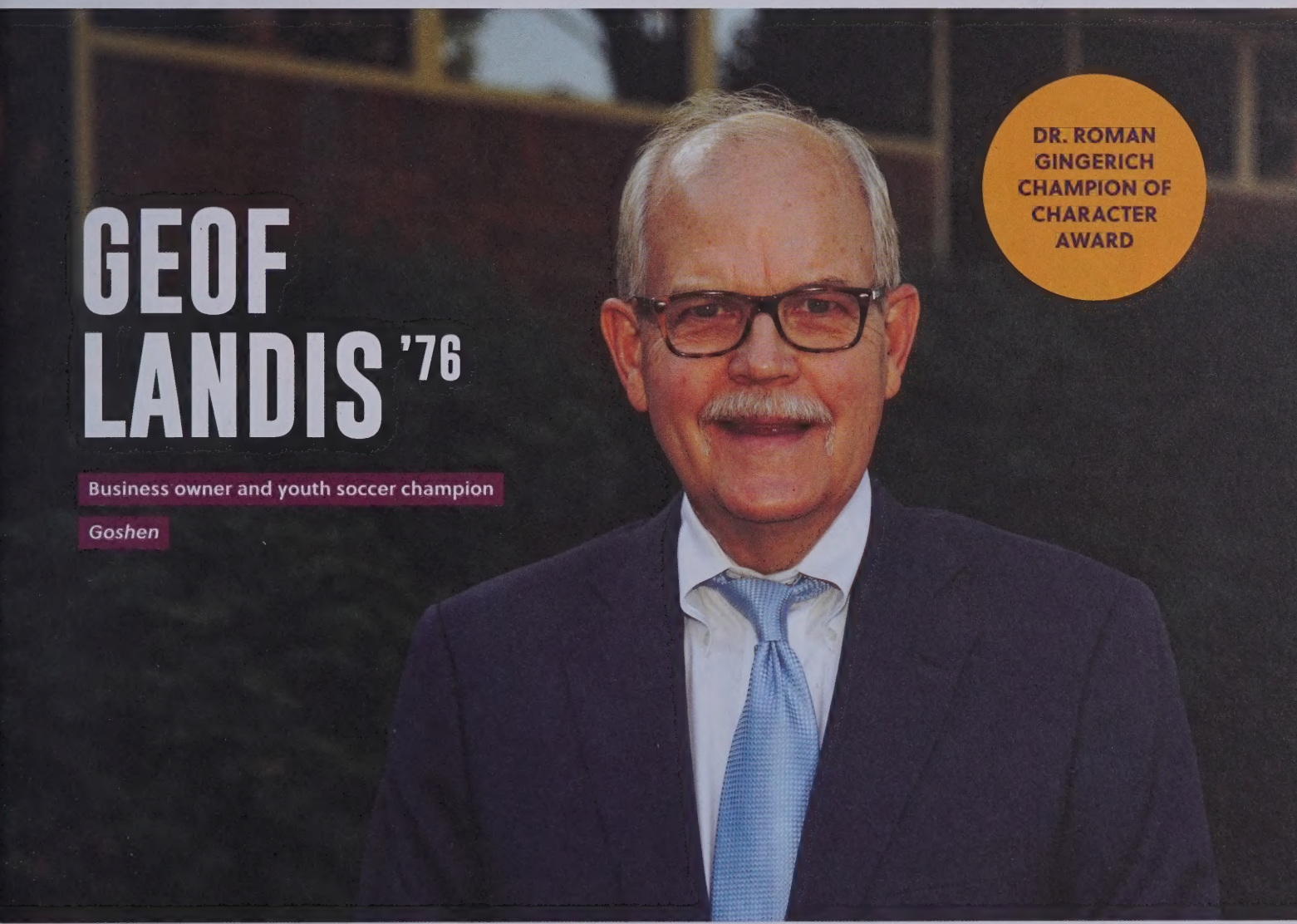
But soon he started working at Menno Travel, where he stayed for 40 years. While with Menno Travel, Landis was an owner for his last 30 years with the company. He sought to make decisions based on what was good for the whole organization, such as having a profit-sharing program where all the employees shared the profit.

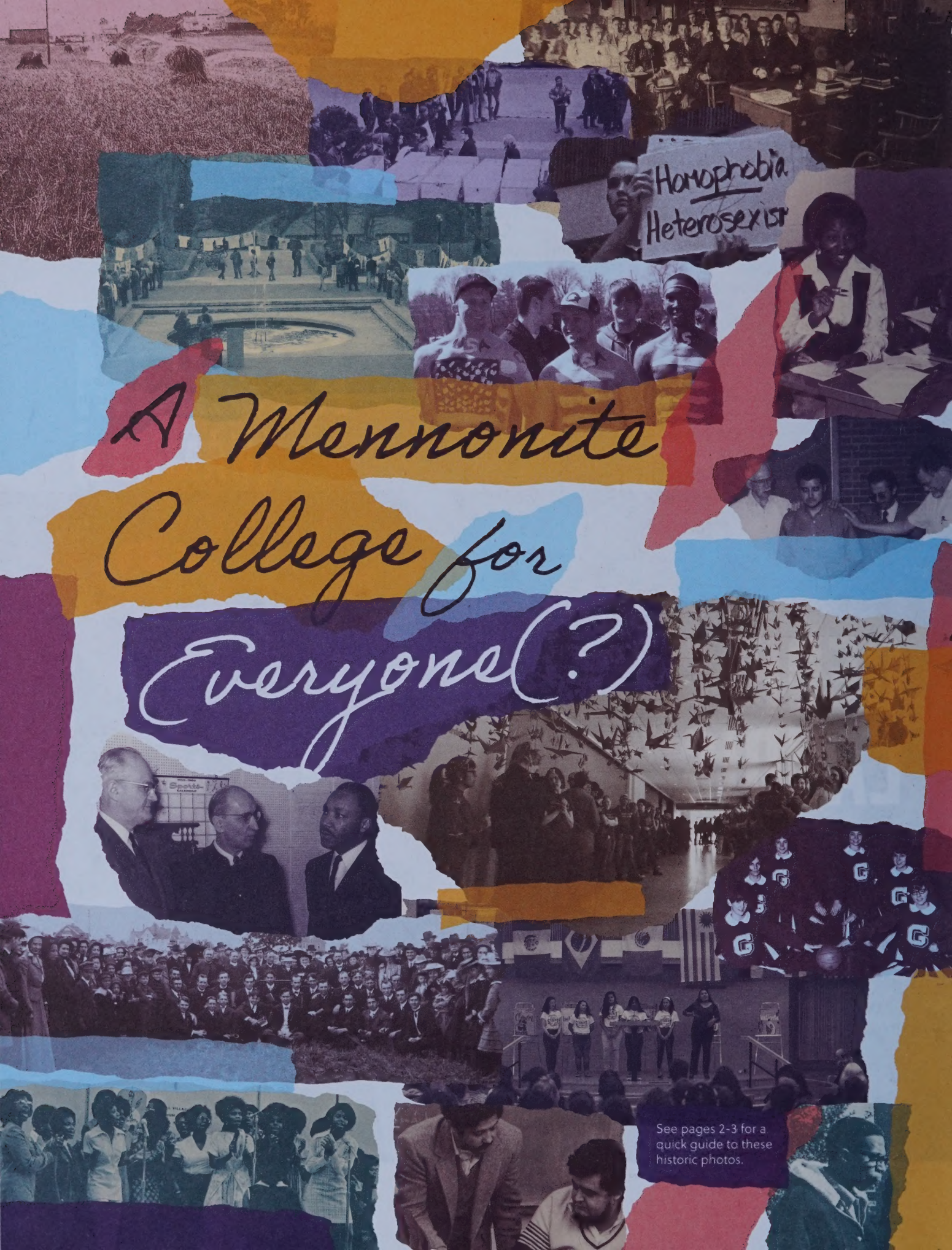
He could still fulfill his love of children when working for GYSO, a recreational soccer league for over 400 local kids from kindergarten through eighth grade. He has been involved for 32 years and served as the board president for the last 20. He is incredibly proud of the diversity of the board and how they involve sports management students from the college to see how an actual non-profit board operates. Landis also volunteers in the Goshen Community Schools with several programs to help children develop their reading skills and love of reading.

Landis has promoted sportsmanship, teamwork and good behavior on the soccer field. He has officiated 500 high school and college games, including the 1996 NAIA National Women's Soccer Tournament.

"Geof cares deeply about the impact of soccer on kids in the local community," said Director of Athletics **Erica Albertin**. "He has created a pathway of inclusion that is commendable and highlights his servant leadership."

Landis and his spouse, **Liz Gunden '74**, attend College Mennonite Church in Goshen, and have one adult son, **Andrew Gunden Landis '09**. They are grandparents to Finn Jacob Landis.





A Mennonite College for Everyone(?)

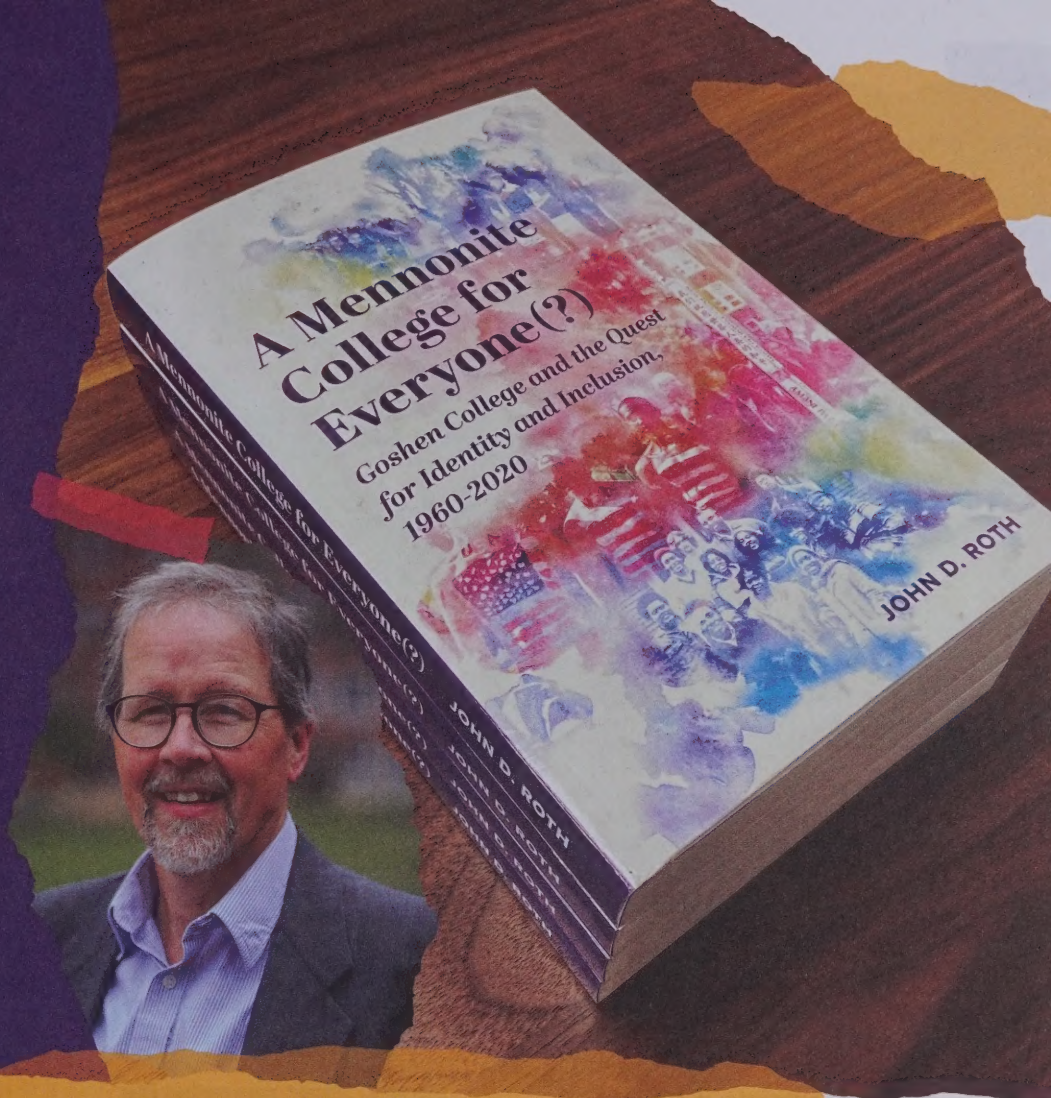
See pages 2-3 for a quick guide to these historic photos.

About the book

A new Goshen College history book, *A Mennonite College for Everyone(?): Goshen College and the Quest for Identity and Inclusion, 1960-2020*, vividly describes the transformation of a faith-based, liberal arts college as it has wrestled with questions of identity and inclusion in a context of rapid social and cultural change.

Author John D. Roth '81, professor emeritus of history, brings the dynamic and often challenging story to life in chapters about the denominational relationships, international engagement, racial inclusion, gender and culture wars, LGBTQ+ inclusion, athletics, Latinx/Hispanic enrollment and Anabaptist stances toward patriotism and nationalism.

It asks the question: Can a progressive vision be integrated with deep conservative impulses that shape denominational and political realities? And it shows a way forward: Tell the story honestly and well, and begin the careful, courageous weighing of lessons learned.



An excerpt from the Epilogue

BY JOHN D. ROTH '81, *professor emeritus of history*

"Right Remembering": History as Confession . . . and Commitment

If, in the words of the grant that helped to fund this project, we wish to "reframe the institutional saga" of Goshen College in a way that helps the institution renew its sense of purpose and mission, it might be ... useful to consider an approach suggested by the theologian Miroslav Volf, which he calls "right remembering." In his book *The End of Memory: Remembering Rightly in a Violent World*, Volf recognizes the power of memory, especially the many ways collective memory can become a form of idolatry in which a group worships itself instead of the Creator.

Both the "dying of the light" and the "progressive triumph" approaches to the history of Goshen College run that risk. But the alternative to a distorted narrative is not to reject history, or to quit telling stories, or to think that we can escape from the burden of memory. Instead, Volf argues, the challenge is to "remember rightly."

"Right remembering" begins with a simple commitment to factual honesty — doing everything one can to tell the story truthfully, pointing readers to the primary sources that have informed the narrative so that others might retrieve those same sources and tell the story differently. Facts, of course, never exist in isolation — they are always woven together in ways that reveal some larger argument or objective, whether implicit or openly stated. But a history of Goshen College "rightly remembered" begins with a conscious effort to be factually honest, and transparent about the sources used to support the arguments of the book.

"Right remembering" also includes a commitment to tell the story with an empathetic spirit. It begins with a posture of curiosity and compassion, seeking not only to make the foreign familiar, but also to allow that which is familiar to become

Black Student Union, 1975; front: **Ray Wentz**, **Rosemary Smart**, **Gloria Singleton**; middle: **Leamon Sowell**, **Debbie Blackwell**, **Jan Ingram**, **Brenda Rivers**, **David McKim**; back: **George Sharp**, **George Yoder**, **Art Griffin**, **Charles Boswell**.

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foreign when seen through the eyes of another person or group. This effort to see the story from the perspective of an individual or group other than myself does not require agreement with alternative points of view. But if the narrative is to serve a purpose other than simply confirming the identity of the dominant group, then it needs to move beyond established assumptions and familiar storylines and actively seek out perspectives that have been buried or marginalized. Such a commitment is not easy. It requires an engagement of the will, the intellect, and the imagination, and a readiness to resist the temptation to invest the protagonists in the stories with more saintliness (or the antagonists with more evil) than the sources at hand can reasonably support.

Finally, "right remembering" means that we tell our stories — especially institutional stories — as a form of confession. Confession in the Christian tradition has two quite distinct meanings. The first meaning is the conscious recognition of a persistent gap between our stated ideals and the lived reality. To be sure, institutions are limited, resources are finite, good intentions can go awry, and some forms of privilege and power are inevitable. But writing a history as a form of "confession" must go beyond merely recognizing our finitude. It calls us to not only acknowledge an institution's failure to achieve its stated goals, but also to name the specific ways in which entrenched attitudes, assumptions, habits and self-interest actively conspired against attaining those goals, and to recognize that those same attitudes, assumptions, habits and self-interests remain deeply embedded in the structures of an institution long after they are named and lamented. ...

Looking Ahead

The challenges confronting small liberal arts institutions like Goshen College today are daunting: economic models are shifting; the cultural divisions in American society remain deep; technology offers new possibilities and challenges; American Christianity is undergoing profound changes that have deeply impacted the Anabaptist-Mennonite tradition; and racist currents run deep in American culture and remain embedded in structures of institutional life. Institutional survival is never guaranteed.

Goshen College, like all institutions, is fully embedded in these realities. Yet the story of Goshen College is not reducible to these realities. In the face of these challenges, a stubborn spark of idealism continues to burn brightly — a view of education as "Culture for Service;" a self-critical impulse inspired by a vision of equality, justice and love; and a commitment to honor the image of God in every member of the community. As board members, administrators and faculty at Goshen College continue that conversation in the future, they might be guided and inspired by the words of Goshen College faculty member **Ruth Krall**. Speaking at a faculty workshop in 1991 titled "Community and Diversity: Can We Have Both?" Krall answered the question posed by the workshop with a resounding "yes":

> *As faculty members of a Christian institution, the soundest reason for pursuing a multicultural curriculum has to do with love, . . . learning to hear the pain of the dispossessed who have lost their histories within the dominant history; to hear the shattered communal realities of individuals and groups who do not feel included in the dominant community; to see the absences of the disinherited from our ways of knowing; to learn about the realities of others.*

Top: GC students participating in the first Study-Service Term unit to Costa Rica, 1968. *Bottom left:* Goshen students organize a "walkout" around the Peace Pole following a mass shooting to call on legislators to pass stricter gun control laws, 2018. *Bottom right:* Center for Intercultural Teaching and Learning (CITL) student cohort, 2009.

Christian love means learning to acknowledge our power and our privilege. Christian love . . . does not demand uniformity or conformity. Rather, Christian love celebrates diversity and complexity, seeking truth and wisdom in all places. It is because of the law of love that we must re-examine ourselves and our teaching . . . our styles of pedagogy, the content of our courses, our methods of generating new information, and the patterns we use to govern our communal relations. . . .

The love described by Krall goes beyond mere hospitality. As Goshen College alumna and author, **Sofia Samatar '94**, has written in *The White Mosque: A Memoir*, a moving reflection on place, religion and identity, "What's needed . . . is the transformation of a home into an alien place." This, of course, is not how we usually think of home. We want our homes to be comfortable, not spaces of vulnerability; we want homes to be places of refuge and rest, not settings where we are confronted with uncomfortable realities or asked to share space with newcomers or strangers. Yet in its own imperfect way, Goshen College has dared to risk transforming a home that was once a place of comfort for white middle-class Mennonites into a place that is more welcoming to others.

For some alumni and stakeholders, that process has been painful. A place that once felt like home now seems alien. Yet new forms of community are emerging at Goshen College today that are more open to the stories of women, students of color, those in the LGBTQ+ community, students from other Christian traditions, students from other religions and students who claim no religious affiliation. And these new forms of diversity need not be "alien" if those, like me, who occupy positions of power and privilege are open to receiving them as a gift — as signs of transformation, renewal and new life.

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BY **DAN KOOP LIECHTY, PH.D. '88**
director of alumni engagement & international student adviser

Connecting through our stories

ONE OF MY favorite things about my job is getting a chance to hear alumni stories about their experience as a GC student. There are great stories about a transformational Study-Service Term experience, a roommate who became a lifelong friend, a mostly harmless prank, a favorite professor who changed a life, a painful situation that found healing, a lifelong romance that was formed here, and so much more. Stories take us back and connect us to one another.

Understanding the importance of sharing and collecting stories, we are excited to let you know that we are partnering with a company called Publishing Concepts, Inc. (PCI) on a new initiative to collect and share your best stories, memories and experiences from your time at Goshen College. This is also a chance for us to make sure that we have your most current contact information. We are excited about this initiative and encourage you to take part in these discussions with PCI.

If you have not already heard from PCI, you will soon via email and/or mail about the chance to participate. You will not be called directly by PCI, but if you decide to participate, you will call PCI. On that call you will be prompted to share a story or two, and asked to update your contact information.

The product of this project will be a printed book of select stories as well as a digital story bank that we will use to better tell the Goshen College story. You will be offered a chance to purchase the book in paper or digital form as part of this process, as well as some GC swag. You DO NOT need to purchase anything to be part of the project, but I can say that sample books I have seen from other schools are beautiful and compelling. They make great coffee table books to show and share your love for GC.

As part of this process, we vetted PCI and connected with other clients to better understand the impact of this project. We heard only positive feedback about the experience for those who participate and also the impact that having these stories can have on our global alumni community.

So, when PCI connects with you, we do hope that you'll make that call, update your contact information and share your unique Goshen College story.

JULIAN GONZALEZ

Meet the Alumni Council (2023-24)

Back row, left to right: **Arvis Dawson '76**, Elkhart, Indiana; **Margaret Fisher Aeschliman '87**, Salem, Oregon; **Bryan Hernandez Rodriguez '23**, Goshen, Indiana (student representative); **Gretchen Nyce '92**, Harrisonburg, Virginia (chair); **Jaime Stack Applegate '15**, Goshen (secretary); **Galen Graber '83**, Wellman, Iowa. *Front row, left to right:* **Anita Miller '90**, Denver, Colorado; **Kristina Roth Martin '89,** Lancaster, Pennsylvania; **Ainslee Zou '22**, Bristol, Indiana (vice-chair); **Maryn Munley '14**, Watertown, Massachusetts. Not pictured: **Ameera Alshuga '20**, Topeka, Indiana; **Pamela Ortiz Ramirez '21**, Chicago, Illinois; **Rachel Smucker '15**, Chicago, Illinois.

Submit your nominations for our 2024 alumni awards

Do you have classmates or alumni friends who exemplify the college's motto, "Culture for Service," live out the college's core values and should be considered for our 2024 alumni awards? Find the criteria and submit your nominations by Jan. 15, 2024 at **goshen.edu/alumni/awards.**

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No matter where you live in the world, did you know that you can watch many campus lectures, concerts and athletic competitions (all soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball and softball home games) LIVE and for free (though we welcome your donations of support!), right from your computer? Find the schedule of upcoming livestreaming events and a link to GoLeafs Live at **goshen.edu/livestream.**

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Alumni Connections

1940-49

DEATHS

Ruth Bechtel Hess '48, Cambridge, Ontario, Canada, died April 8, 2023.

Melvin J. Loewen '49, Goshen, died Sept. 8, 2023. His wife Elfrieda Loewen died June 27, 2023.

Mary Herr Weaver '48, Elkhart, Ind., died June 18, 2023.

Miriam Haarer Wellington '48, Goshen, died Aug. 30, 2023.

1950-59

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Margaret Meyer Irvin '52, Pinole, Calif., continues with writing projects and new books, including "Underpinnings, The Poetry of Seasons, Creatures and Plants," (self-published) which explores bonding with our natural world. She chairs her church's Storytellers' Committee, which currently sponsors writing groups and open mic events.

William F. Miller '55 (faculty '63-95), Goshen, celebrated his 90th birthday in August by taking a 90-mile bike ride, all in one day. He was joined by daughters **Karen Miller Rush '87**, Goshen, and **Jane Miller '85**, Minneapolis, Minn.

DEATHS

Grace Thomas Brannon '51, Nashville, Tenn., died Nov. 16, 2022.

Charles A. Burkholder '55, husband of Aleda Burkholder, 3555 Copper River Ave., S.W., Apt. 219, Grandville MI 49418, died May 12, 2023.

Gerald K. Buzzard '58, husband of Nina Buzzard, 232 S. Broadway St., Apt. 202, Scottdale PA 15683, died Nov. 9, 2022.

Esther Berkey Cender '53, Goshen, died April 29, 2023.

Wayne J. Gerber '59, Elkhart, Ind., died June 16, 2023.

Owen J. Gingerich '51, husband of **Miriam Sensenig Gingerich '51**, 100 Avon Hill St., Cambridge MA 02140, died May 28, 2023. He was a 1991 Culture for Service Alumni Awardee, and was a senior astronomer emeritus with the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory at Harvard University.

Joyce Long Graber '51, Goshen, died Sept. 11, 2023.

Anna Mae Herr '56, Phoenix, Ariz., died Nov. 22, 2022.

Mary Yutzy Herr '53, Hesston, Kan., died April 19, 2023.

Paul W. Herr '56, East Petersburg, Pa., died Aug. 28, 2023.

Daniel R. Leatherman '58 (faculty '63-69), Fort Collins, Colo., died Aug. 23, 2023. Read more about him on p. 56.

Edwin N. LeFevre '53, Sterling, Ill., died July 20, 2023.

Ulrike Lichti '58, wife of Stephen Leppla, 9501 Starmont Rd., Bethesda MD 20817, died Jan. 9, 2023.

Ruth Hartzler Martin '56, wife of Jay Martin, 1001 E. Oregon Rd., Lititz PA 17543, died June 16, 2023.

Faye Hochstetler Nyce '57, Lititz, Pa., died April 29, 2023.

Thelma Ackerson Roll '54, Goshen, died Aug. 16, 2023.

Marjorie Headrick Schmucker '58, Hesston, Kan., died March 1, 2023.

Winifred Mumaw Wall '57, wife of Elmer Wall, 1801 Greencroft Blvd., Apt. 208, Goshen IN 46526, died July 29, 2023.

Charles D. Yoder '53, Elkhart, Ind., died April 29, 2023.

Neta Faye Sweigart Yoder '54, wife of **Marvin K. Yoder '55**, 504 Pleasantview Ln., Kalona IA 52247, died April 22, 2023.

1960-69

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Tom Hershberger '64 and **Anita Hartzler Lindberg '70**, Albany, Ore., were married on Nov. 19, 2022.

Richard Kauffman '68, Goshen, taught a four-session class, "Can These Bones Live? Faith in a Secular Age," as part of the Lifelong Learning Institute's 2023 spring series.

Leland Miller '67, Goshen, author of "Shared Traumas and Other Delights: Growing Up Mennonite in the Days of Ike," self-published his book in 2022.

Keith Schrag '60, Goshen, had his ministerial credentials reinstated by Central District Conference of Mennonite Church USA in June 2023. He relinquished his credentials 36 years ago during a ministerial meeting in which he was questioned for being a gay man.

Gary Smucker '67, Alexandria, Va., has written a book, "Botswana Buddies" (Masthof Press, 2023). Based on letters written by Frances Smucker, this family memoir is the story of the two-year

adventure of Dan and Frances Smucker in Botswana in Southern Africa. Dan and Frances were unlikely Mennonite Central Committee volunteers as they were nearing their sixties, pastoring a church, running an auto body business and farm, and caring for a handicapped daughter. But they had hearts for service and were open to God's call and new opportunities.

Bruce Stahly '67, Goshen, came out of retirement to serve as assistant superintendent of instruction for Elkhart Community Schools. He retired from Goshen Community Schools in 2012 after 10 years as superintendent.

Clayton H. Steiner '67, Bakersfield, Calif., has written his life story, "Clayton's Chronicles" (self-published, 2023), in partnership with his nephew and a great niece. The story is written from the perspective of a heavenly chronicler named Beemer, who explores the inner-workings of Clayton with openness and candor.

Peter Stucky '67, Colombia, was a 2023 recipient of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's Alumni Ministry and Service Award, which honors alumni with an outstanding record of faithful ministry and service. He served as pastor at Teusaquillo Mennonite Church in Bogotá, Colombia for 28 years, as well as Mennonite-related ministries and social service agencies in the country and various ecumenical peacebuilding efforts.

J. Denny Weaver '63, Madison, Wis., was a 2023 recipient of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's Alumni Ministry and Service Award, which honors alumni with an outstanding record of faithful ministry and service. He had teaching assignments in several Mennonite schools of higher education, including 31 years at Bluffton (Ohio) University, where he taught theology, religion and ethics.

DEATHS

Geraldine Y. Chan '64, Brooklyn, N.Y., died May 24, 2023.

Philip J. Dintaman, husband of **Judy Myers Dintaman '68**, 105 W. 575 N., Howe IN 46746, died Aug. 15, 2023.

Lois Shank Gerber, wife of **Lowell K. Gerber '67**, 511 N. Water St., Lititz PA 17543, died June 28, 2023.

Harvey L. Hartzler '62, husband of Betty Hartzler, 7890 N. Blue Brick Dr., Tucson, AZ 85743, died April 21, 2023.

Kathleen Hamsher Hess '65, wife of Dale Hess, 314 E. Paradise St., Orrville OH 44667, died Sept. 10, 2023.

Carol Yoder Hochstedler '64, Logan, Utah, died Jan. 26, 2023.

Kenneth Kauffman, husband of **Jane Harshbarger Kauffman '65**, 5343 Township Rd. 187, West Liberty OH 43357, died April 14, 2023.

Sam Kaufman '60, husband of **Joan Schertz Kaufman '63**, 1646 Wilmington Point, Mansfield OH 44904, died Feb. 7, 2023.

Kathryn Shantz Leatherman '62, Goshen, died May 30, 2023.

MariLynn Lambert Lynn '67, wife of Daniel Lynn, 9770 W. 200 S., Shipshewana IN 46565, died Sept. 7, 2023.

John D. Miller '66, husband of Rebecca Miller, 470 Chandamere Way, Nicholasville KY 40356, died Aug. 2, 2023.

Stephen D. Miller '65, husband of Lila Miller, 10342 W. Kingswood Cir., Sun City, AZ 85351, died April 12, 2023.

Sylvia Steiner Miller '60 (staff '81-03), wife of **Donald C. Miller '63**, 1804 S. 12th St., Goshen IN 46526, died May 21, 2023.

Ted W. Miller '68, husband of **Eunice Schmucker Miller '68**,1927 Grandview Rd., Lake Milton OH 44429, died April 18, 2023.

Donald Munn, husband of **Eunice Schrock Munn '64**, 7203 Pymbroke Cir., Fishers IN 46038, died Aug. 19, 2023.

Curtis R. Nussbaum, husband of **Gloria Amstutz Nussbaum '61**, 417 E. Sassafras St., Orrville OH 44667, died March 6, 2023.

Edith Derstine Tully '66, wife of David Tully, 30 Copper Beech Ln., Great Barrington MA 01230, died March 26, 2023.

Walter Wilt, husband of **Winifred Boshart Wilt '65**, 2886 Coral Ct., Apt. 104, Coralville IA 52241, died June 23, 2022.

Eric J. Yoder '69, husband of **Joan Helmuth Yoder '70**, P.O. Box 929, Rosthern, SK CA S0K 3R0, died Aug. 17, 2022.

1970-74

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John R. Blosser '70 (faculty '99-11), Goshen, exhibited 24 recent drawings, watercolors and oil paintings at Canadian Mennonite University's gallery from June 23 to Sept. 16, 2023. 2

Martha Smith Good '71, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, was a 2023 recipient of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's Alumni Ministry and Service Award, which honors alumni with an outstanding record of faithful ministry and service. In her 30-plus years of pastoral ministry, she served in campus ministry at Goshen College, chaplaincy, and congregations in Ohio, Indiana, Colorado, Illinois and Ontario.

Nancy Geiser Kauffmann '73, Goshen, was named the interim denominational minister of church safety for MC USA's church vitality office. This new position was created so that the denomination could address the need for continued abuse education and prevention work after Dove's Nest, an abuse prevention ministry, dissolved May 31, 2023.

Kathleen Bennett Stiffney '72, Goshen, is the curator at the Painted Finch Gallery in Goshen.

DEATHS

Anthony H. Brown '71 (faculty '71-75, '80-86), McDonald, Pa., died May 22, 2023. He was a 2013 Culture for Service Alumni Awardee, and was an internationally-acclaimed baritone and taught sociology at Hesston College for many years.

Cynthia Wedel Janzen '71, wife of **David Janzen (administrative faculty '98-11)**, 1557 Redbud Ct., Goshen IN 46526, died Aug. 16, 2023.

Nancy Brenneman Liechty '73, wife of Mark Liechty, 1502 Brookfield Ct., Goshen IN 46526, died July 3, 2023.

Glen D. Smucker '72, husband of **Lois Rittenhouse Smucker '72**, 2429 Paradise Rd., Orrville OH 44667, died May 1, 2023.

1975-79

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Dick Lehman '76, Elkhart, Ind., was awarded the Indiana Heritage Fellowship for 2023 by Traditional Arts Indiana, celebrating a 40-plus year career as a cornerstone of Michiana's robust clay community. This annual award recognizes a traditional artist who has made outstanding contributions to their artistic tradition and community. He is the first ceramic artist to be awarded the Heritage Fellowship.

Jewel Geissinger Ratzlaff '77, Hopewell Junction, N.Y., was honored as Woman of the Year by the American Association of University Women—Poughkeepsie Branch in April 2023 for her community advocacy work. She started a nonprofit to serve people experiencing poverty and recently retired from leading the Poughkeepsie library's annual Big Read program. 3

Kathy Gnagey Short '75, Tucson, Ariz., professor of teaching, learning and sociocultural studies in the College of Education, is among the newest Regents Professors at the University of Arizona. The university's highest faculty rank honors exceptional achievements that merit national and international recognition. Short's research centers on how literature shapes the way children and young people understand and interact with the world. 4

Janice Yordy Sutter '79 and **David Sutter '80**, South Bend, Ind., were recognized for their 35 years as pastors at Kern Road Mennonite Church during a farewell worship service and celebration on June 11, 2023.

Ethel Owens Walton '79, Chicago, Ill., is the current president of the Chicago Chapter of the National Black Nurses Association. She has served as a nurse for over three decades in many capacities.

DEATH

Charles E. Bontreger '75, Goshen, died Sept. 4, 2023.

Cynthia Nyce Kauffmann '79, (staff '05-14 and '19-22), wife of **Galen Kauffmann '78**, 64950 County Rd. 21, Goshen IN 46526, died Oct. 1, 2023.

1980-84

NOTE

Ivan R. Mast '84 and **Katie Yoder Mast '85**, Columbus, Ohio, along with daughter Krista, have co-written a book, "Orange Roses: A Memoir on Mental Health From One Family's Perspective," (independently published, 2023) chronicling the family's journey with schizophrenia from each of their perspectives. 5

DEATHS

Sara Nofziger Mast '84, wife of Edwin Mast, 14003 Nussbaum Rd., Dalton OH 44618, died Aug. 5, 2023.

Kenneth C. Miller '80, husband of **Doris Boehr Miller '80**, 833 Winslow Dr., Goshen IN 46526, died Oct. 3, 2023.

Mary Lou Overholt Miller '83, wife of **Sanford Miller '82**, 13367 County Rd. 44, Millersburg IN 46543, died April 9, 2023.

1985-89

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Colleen Dyck '87 and her sister Vickie Dyck, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, operate a small theater, The Barn Playhouse, that is now in its 34th year.

Leanne Farmwald '86, Elkhart, Ind., is the donor relations specialist at YWCA North Central Indiana. Her primary focus is to increase donor engagement and funding for the Safe Haven shelter in downtown Elkhart.

Fred Longenecker '87, South Bend, Ind., graduated from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary on April 29, 2023, with a graduate certificate in theological studies. He plans to continue working part time as a mental health recovery coach with Oaklawn Psychiatric Center in Goshen, while increasing his work with children's spirituality. He also is exploring the possibility of starting a children's television ministry in the style of Mister Rogers through a local Christian media company. In addition, he wants to develop an Anabaptist version of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, a spiritual formation program for children ages 3-6. 6

Jonathan Shenk '88, Princeton Junction, N.J., a recent graduate of the International Institute for Restorative Practices, is incorporating restorative practices in his small business, Greenleaf Painters, and as a Presbyterian minister. 7

DEATHS

Thomas G. Miller '87, husband of **Crystal Richard Miller '86**, 10810 N.W. La Cassel Crest Ln., Portland OR 97229, died Dec. 31, 2022.

Charlotte Bell Strasser '89, Fort Myers, Fla., died May 16, 2023.

1990-94

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Tim Dyck '93, Durham, Ontario, Canada, recently wrote an article, "Making books as movie props," for the Canadian Bookbinders and Book Artists Guild (CBBAG) and spoke on the subject at their annual conference. He continues to make and repair books at his store (thecolourjar.ca) which also includes **Barb Schweitzer Dyck's '93** piano studio. 8

Christine Holland '91, Harleysville, Pa., was named president and CEO of Pearl S. Buck International, which provides opportunities to explore and appreciate other cultures, builds better lives for children around the globe and promotes the legacy of Pearl S. Buck by preserving and interpreting her National Historic Landmark Home. 9

Erin Roth '90, Baltimore, Md., and **Eric Hochstetler '01**, Durham, N.C., were included among song leaders for public hymn-sings in a summer festival on the National Mall in D.C. hosted by the Smithsonian Folklife and Cultural Heritage Center. The theme of the festival was "Living Religion: Creative Encounters in the U.S," which included Mennonite four-part harmony congregational singing.

Judy Clemens Smucker '91, Ottawa, Ohio, completed work for her Ph.D. in American culture studies at Bowling Green State University and graduated in 2023.

Marisa Smucker '94, Goshen, was named interim executive director of Mennonite Mission Network in spring 2023.

Krista Vogt Troyer '92, Goshen, was named the principal of Model Elementary School in May 2023 after serving as interim principal since January.

DEATHS

Dean A. Miller '92, husband of Darla Miller, 409 N. Prospect St., Sturgis MI 49091, died Aug. 24, 2023.

Michael Stasch, husband of **Jill Yordy Stasch '92**, 70 Ela Rd., Inverness IL 60067, died June 11, 2023.

1995-99

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Tonya Hunsberger Detweiler '97, Goshen, is CEO at Blue Diamond Communities and Cherry Creek LLC.

Anne Glick '98 is working for the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) in The Hague, The Netherlands. It's an independent multilateral organization with 193 member states that is responsible for implementing the Chemical Weapons Convention. In July 2023, the USA completed destruction of its remaining chemical weapons stockpiles, the last member state to do so.

Jennifer Graber '95, Austin, Texas, recently received fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation and the National Endowment for the Humanities for her next book on the 1890 Ghost Dance movement.

Katie Lehman '95, Arlington, Va., published a poetry collection, "Emily Dickinson's Lexicon" (Dos Madres Press, 2023) and **Rachel Lapp Whitt '95**, Bloomington, Ill., created the book's cover art. In her acknowledgements, Lehman notes the late **John Fisher**, GC English professor 1953-92, for his mentorship during her GC years, crediting him for shaping her poetic voice. 10

Gina Leichty '95, Goshen, was named interim mayor of Goshen in June 2023 and was elected the first female mayor of Goshen in November.

Sandra Vielman '99, Goshen, graduated from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary on April 29, 2023, with a Master of Arts: Theology and Global Anabaptism degree. She also received a commendation in intercultural peace studies from the academic dean. 11

Rachel Lapp Whitt '95 (administrative faculty '97-06, faculty '07-11), former GC director of public relations and assistant professor of communication, is a co-founder of Bloom Community School in Bloomington-Normal, Ill., which is a progressive project-based school that opened in 2017. She continues to support the school by serving on its board of directors and in ongoing administrative needs. Rachel works with contract and freelance clients for writing, editing, graphic design and illustration projects. She lives with partner Tom Whitt and 12-year-old daughter Ramona in Bloomington, Ill.

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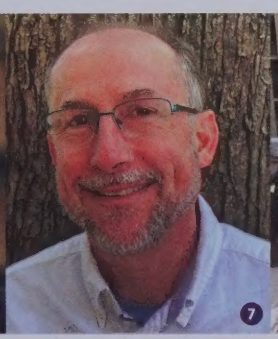
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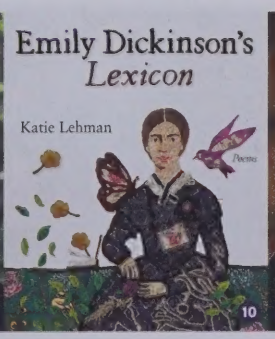

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2000-04

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Nathan Duell '01 is the head coach of the men's and women's swimming and diving teams at Olivet Nazarene University, Bourbonnais, Ill.

Wade Ebersole '01, Makawao, Hawaii, is the chief operating officer with the Maui Health System.

Glenn Gilbert '01 (staff '85-20), Goshen, co-founded Blocked Crossings LLC, a Goshen-based company that monitors which railroad crossings are closed or clear and displays the information on its website.

Andrew Kauffman '04, Goshen Intermediate School master teacher, has been selected as a mentor for the 2023-24 Level Up Leadership Cohort of the Indiana Department of Education. The Level Up Leadership series is composed of practicing PK-12 educators from across the state. He first served as a participant during the 2019-2020 school year and became a mentor for the first time during the 2020-2021 school year.

Ned Mast '01 and **Mary Short '03**, Wooster, Ohio, were married on May 27, 2023 and celebrated the birth of Seth Alexander on Aug. 14, 2023. 12

Nathan Mishler '00, an owner of Studio Cypher, is also business manager, writer and programmer for the game development studio based in Bloomington, Ind. He has worked at the studio for more than 18 years creating websites, games, phone applications, and even kiosk software for clients. He recently joined the faculty at The Media School.

2005

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Adam Graber Roth '05 (administrative faculty '07-11, '22-present) and **Karen Graber Roth '08**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Evelyn Carol on May 8, 2023. She joins Reuben, 6 and Hezekiah, 3. Karen is an art and English Learners teacher at Chamberlain Elementary School in Goshen. Adam is a major gift officer in the advancement office at Goshen College. 13

2006

NOTES

Kate Nafziger Leichty '06, Goshen, a senior manager for Kruggel Lawton CPAs, is among the South Bend Regional Chamber's 2023 Michiana Forty under 40 class. The program recognizes young adults, professionals, executives and leaders, under the age of 40, achieving outstanding professional success while also engaging in their community through charitable and civic involvement.

2007

NOTE

Garrett Gingerich '07, Granger, Ind., is chief marketing officer for TayCo Brace, a South Bend-based ankle brace manufacturer which produces braces used by 22 NFL teams and more than 80 intercollegiate athletics programs.

2008

NOTES

Rebecca Shetler Fast '08, Goshen, CEO of Child and Parent Services in Elkhart, is among the South Bend Regional Chamber's 2023 Michiana Forty under 40 class. The program recognizes young adults, professionals, executives and leaders, under the age of 40, achieving outstanding professional success while also engaging in their community through charitable and civic involvement.

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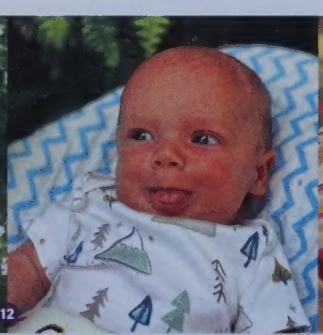

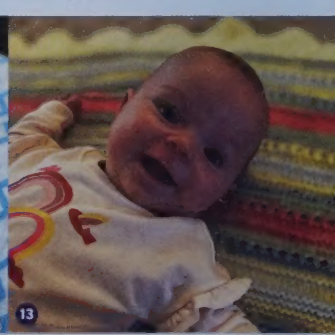
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Ben J. Graber '08, Goshen, graduated from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary on April 29, 2023, with a graduate certificate in theological studies. He plans to continue his seminary studies in the Master of Arts in Christian Formation program. 14

2009

NOTE

Carolyn Stigge Harris '09 graduated with a doctorate of philosophy in nursing from the University of California San Francisco School of Nursing in June 2022. Her dissertation, "Moving the Science of Symptom Cluster Research Forward: Phenotypic and Mechanistic Considerations," won the 2023 Distinguished Dissertation Award in Nursing from the University of California San Francisco School of Nursing. Currently she is a postdoctoral scholar with the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing. 15

2010

NOTE

Naomi Tice '10, Bammental, Germany, works as regional youth pastor for the Vereinigung Der Deutschen Mennonitengemeinden, a conference of 14 Mennonite churches in northern Germany.

2011

NOTES

Trevor Daugherty '11, Goshen, editor of *Edible Michiana*, is among the South Bend Regional Chamber's 2023 Michiana Forty under 40 class. The program recognizes young adults, professionals, executives and leaders, under the age of 40, achieving outstanding professional success while also engaging in their community through charitable and civic involvement.

Reuben Sancken-Marx '11, Indianapolis, Ind., was board certified as a chaplain in the last year and is now a full-time chaplain at Eskenazi Hospital.

Edgar Saucedo-Davila '11, a Goshen Junior High School teacher, is one of 13 teachers in the state selected by Teach Plus for its 2023-24 Policy Fellowship. Teach Plus' mission is to empower excellent, experienced and diverse teachers to take leadership over key policy and practice issues that advance equity, opportunity and student success.

Annali Murray Topf '11, Greendale, Wis., is a chaplain working on inpatient mental health, developing outpatient spiritual and religious support and programs as well as caring for patients on the cardiac unit in the dialysis clinic at the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center.

2012

NOTE

Phil Stoesz '12, Tempe, Ariz., serves as the design expert and facilitator for the University Design Institute, where he facilitates conversations, teaches leadership development, hosts international delegations, and designs processes to address the changing landscape of higher education globally. 16

2013

NOTES

Daniel Barwick '13 (staff '23-present) and **Emma Brooks '13**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Brooks Oliver on Jan. 23, 2023. Dan is the sustainability coordinator at Goshen College. Emma is an adjunct professor of art at Goshen College and teaches two courses at the University of Notre Dame in visual communication design. 17

Levi Yoder Smucker '13 and **Rebecca Yoder Smucker '13**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Lida Yoder Smucker in March 2022. She joins Ada, 5. Levi is a general surgeon at Gerig Surgical Associates. 18

2014

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Jordan Berkey '14 and **Gina Gautsche Berkey '16**, Fishers, Ind., celebrated the birth of Katie Alex on June 15, 2023. She joins Tara, 4, and Carson, 2. 19

Jacob S. Yoder '14 became country director for Mennonite Central Committee in the Democratic Republic of Congo in December 2022. Based in Goma, he had previously been program manager since November 2020.

2015

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Twila Albrecht '15 completed a master's degree in conflict management and resolution at the Joan B. Kroc School of Peace Studies at the University of San Diego in May 2023.

Naun Cerrato '15, Goshen, is president of La Posada Immigrant Aid Inc., a faith-based organization, which offers legal services to immigrant families in Elkhart County. His recent book, "Hope, The Penguin Who Saved Christmas," is bilingual in Spanish and English and is available on Amazon and Barnes & Noble.

J.D. Nafziger '15, Minneapolis, Minn., started a full-time software development track at Prime Digital Academy.

2017

NOTES

David Bontrager '17, Boise, Idaho, is a Master of Science degree candidate in the raptor biology program at Boise State University. His thesis focuses on protecting the endangered Northern Aplomado Falcon. After disappearing from the U.S. in the 1950s due to habitat loss and pesticides, the Aplomado Falcon was reintroduced in Texas through captive breeding and release efforts led by Boise-based nonprofit The Peregrine Fund. In partnership with The Peregrine Fund, his graduate studies aim to understand what might be limiting the growth of the small, isolated population of Aplomado Falcons along the Texas Gulf Coast and borderlands, with the ultimate goal of informing management decisions to fully recover the species in the United States.

Blake Collins '17 and **Meghan Gerke Collins '18**, Wyoming, Mich., celebrated the birth of Paisley June Collins on April 11, 2022. 20

Leah Stebly Ingle '17 and **Chandler Ingle '18**, Columbus, Ohio, welcomed Maple Grace Ingle on April 10, 2023. 21

Alma Rose Tshisola '17 and **Evra Tshisola (staff '16-present)** were married on April 15, 2022, and celebrated the birth of Kiese Celestina on June 24, 2022. Alma Rose earned a degree in nursing in May 2023 from Saint Mary's College and is now in their Doctorate of Nursing Practice program. 22

2020

NOTE

Bobby Sessa '20 and **Erin Graber '21**, Indianapolis, Ind., were married on July 1, 2023. Bobby is a medical student at Marian University and Erin works as a senior staff accountant at Kruggel Lawton CPAs. 23

2022

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Acadia Imhof '22, as a member of AmeriCorps, worked with the City of Goshen's community orchard, which was started in 2019 as a way to connect people to their food and to help city staff learn how to care for edible plants. When she started in November 2022, there were a total of 85 live plants and over 25 varieties of plants. In August 2023, the orchard had more than 250 plants and over 50 varieties.

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Adriana Martinez '22, Goshen, is a legal assistant/office manager for La Posada Immigrant Aid, a faith-based organization, which offers legal services to immigrant families in Elkhart County.

Robert Sanders, Jr. '22 is the program coordinator for The Tolson Center in Elkhart, Ind. The Tolson Center for Community Excellence empowers lives through inclusive learning, recreation and cultural exchange, opening doors to bright futures.

2023

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Olivia Krall '23 is the archives coordinator for the MC USA Archives in Elkhart, Ind. 24

Cadence Lee '23 and Brian Lehman, Elkhart, Ind., were married on July 15, 2023. Cadence is the drama director and assistant choir director at Fairfield Junior-Senior High School. 25

FACULTY AND STAFF

NOTES

Erica Albertin (administrative faculty '16-present) and Matthew Albertin, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Theophilus David on April 20, 2023. He joins Eli, 5, and Luke, 3. 26

Marvin Bartel (faculty '70-02), Goshen, had 42 ceramic pieces exhibited at the Haan Mansion Museum in Lafayette Ind., June 9-Aug. 26, 2023. Although retired from teaching, he continues as a part of the Goshen Clay Artist Guild and volunteers at the clay studio at Greencroft Retirement Center.

Eric Bradley (administrative faculty '16-present) and Deborah Bradley, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Hannah Dorothy on Aug. 17, 2023. She joins Neil, 14, Luke, 4, and Paul, 2. 27

Ross Peterson-Veatch (administrative faculty '07-17) joined the Hesston (Kan.) College leadership team as vice president of academics, and is now serving as interim president.

Deanna Risser (administrative faculty '99-21), Goshen, graduated from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary on April 29, 2023, with a graduate certificate in theological studies. She continues as vice president for administration and chief financial officer of AMBS. 28

Sage Sauder (professional staff '23-present) and Kathryn Sauder, Fort Wayne, Ind., celebrated the birth of Esme Alexandria on Sept. 18, 2023. 29

DEATHS

Phyllis J. Carter (administrative faculty '97-98), Goshen, died Aug. 10, 2023.

Lucy Rudy (staff '65-70), Ephrata, Pa., died July 5, 2023.

Amelia C. Sanchez (staff '90-10), Goshen, died June 5, 2023.

Martha Thompson (staff '89-04), Goshen, died May 27, 2023.

DEGREE COMPLETION

DEATH

Charla Humphries Matthews '19, wife of Kirt Matthews, 23480 Parkwood Pl., Elkhart IN 46516, died Jan. 21, 2023.

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ANOTHER GENERATION

This fall, 124 students (15% of the student body) at Goshen College are children of Goshen College alumni. We celebrate this passing on of "Culture for Service" from one generation to the next!

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Eliza Aleman '26
Rock Island, Ill.
(Marisa Cantu '01)

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Elkhart, Ind.
(Lisa Hassett '22)

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South Bend, Ind.
(Dayna Baxter '18)

Francisco Behan Morillo '26
Goshen
(Erin Behan Morillo '99)

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Lancaster, Pa.
(Emily Smucker-Beidler '87 and Lorin Beidler '87)

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Goshen
(Veronica Berkey '92)

Meredith Blossom '25
Wellman, Iowa
(Theresa Blossom '99 and Kent Blossom '99)

Kate Bodiker '26
Berlin, Ohio
(Sheila Mullet '97 and Scott Bodiker '92)

Madeline Bollinger '25
Lenexa, Kan.
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Goshen
(Ben Bontrager '19)

Lukas Bontrager-Waite '24
Goshen
(Beth Bontrager '85)

Rhys Bruhn '25
Staunton, Va.
(Lowell Brown '95)

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Frontier, Mich.
(Nykol Byrd '97)

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Goshen
(Krista Daniels '00 and Mark Daniels '00)

Adrian Delgadillo '25
Dakota, Ill.
(Dottie Delgadillo '98 and Julio Delgadillo '08)

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Goshen
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Dan Eash-Scott '24
Wauwatosa, Wis.
(Rachel Eash-Scott '98 and Peter Eash-Scott '99)

Craig Elias '25
Bothell, Wash.
(Morlin Elias '88)

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Staunton, Va.
(Gayle Alderfer Fisher '90)

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Goshen
(Simona Flores '11)

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Goshen
(Rachel George-Miller '00 and Dustin George-Miller '98)

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Mishawaka, Ind.
(Beth Gerig '84 and Kevin Gerig '83)

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Elkhart, Ind.
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(Katrina Godzisz '92)

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Goshen
(DeLane Graber '85)

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Wellman, Iowa
(Ruth Brenneman '87 and Galen Graber '83)

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Lancaster, Pa.
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Elkhart, Ind.
(Sara Mast '94 and Luke Mast '95)

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Goshen
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Goshen
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Elkhart, Ind.
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Goshen
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IN MEMORIAM

MARLIN L. JESCHKE

(1929-2023)

Professor Emeritus of Philosophy and Religion

Marlin Jeschke, professor emeritus of philosophy and religion, died September 16, 2023. He was 94 years old and lived in Goshen.

During his 33 years of service at GC, Jeschke taught courses on Christian faith, religion in America and Asian religions from 1961 to 1994. He also served as the Mennonite Historical Society president and the *Mennonite Quarterly Review* book review editor, as well as writing nearly 100 book reviews and publishing three books on baptism, church discipline and the Holy Land.

Jeschke earned a bachelor's degree at Tabor College in 1954, a Master of Divinity degree at Garrett Theological Seminary in 1958 and a Doctor of Theology degree in 1959 at Northwestern University. In 1968, Jeschke carried out his postdoctoral fellowship by studying Buddhism and Islam at the Center for the Study of World Religions at Harvard University.

Jeschke was preceded in death by his first spouse, **Charmaine Louise Shidler '62**, and his second spouse, **Elizabeth Bixel Miller '51**; sisters Anna, Edna and Helen; brothers Alfred, Roland and **Donald '67**; stepsons Jim and Tom Miller; and daughter-in-law Kimberly Rush. He is survived by his three children, **Eric '84** (Amy Baum), **Margaret '89** (**Bart Miller '90**) and **David '89** (Kimberly Rush); six grandchildren, stepdaughter **Kathy Fenton-Miller '81**, stepdaughters-in-law Linda and **Crystal Miller '86**, seven step grandchildren, two step great-grandchildren, and sister-in-law Rosalee Jeschke.

MARION "MARIO" WENGER

(1932-2023)

Retired Professor of German

Mario Wenger '58, retired professor of German, died in Goshen on September 21, 2023. He was 91 years old.

Wenger was a professor at the college for 25 years, from 1963 to 1988. He taught a variety of German and linguistics classes, as well as spending time as the chair of humanities. He worked as the international student advisor for some time, leading Study-Service Term groups with his family to Haiti, Nicaragua and East and West Germany.

Wenger earned a bachelor's degree at GC in 1958, and then returned to Germany to study a year at the University of Heidelberg. He earned his master's degree in 1967 and a Doctor of Germanic Linguistics degree in 1969 from The Ohio State University. Wenger had passion and skills in language learning, and could converse in French, Spanish, German and Russian.

While working at the college, he married a fellow professor, **Anna Frances "Fran" Zimmerman**, who taught nursing from 1962 to 1990.

Wenger was preceded in death by his wife Fran in 2013; his father, John Wenger; his mother, Mary (Brownson) Wenger; his brother, John (Isabelle) Wenger; his brother, **Richard** (Doris) **Wenger '45**; and his brother, Walter Wenger. He is survived by his sister-in-law, **Shirley Wenger '56**; his three children, Mark Wenger of Bristol, Indiana; **Joel** (Julie) **Wenger '93** of Fortville, Indiana; and **Maria Wenger '95** of Goshen; along with seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

We celebrate the generosity of our many alumni and friends who have invested in educating our students during our last fiscal year. Thank you for your significant contributions!
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5.3% — $3,000

Anonymous

1947
8.7% — $1,000

Ray Bair
Walter Good

1948
12% — $900

Adele Haddad McCarus
Ruth Lederach Rittgers
Mary Herr Weaver
(deceased 6/18/23)

1949
7% — $2,000

Lillian Oswald Bair
Simon Gingerich
Ada Shaum

1950
6.2% — $18,420

Mary Eleanor Bender
Mary Ann Troyer Litwiller
Jocele Thut Meyer
Royce Saltzman
Lillian Zook Yoder

1951
16.4% — $28,200

Don Bachman
Don Driver
Miriam Sensenig Gingerich
Owen Gingerich
(deceased 5/28/23)
Lorene Nafziger Good
Joyce Long Graber
(deceased 9/11/23)
Olive Grace Yoder Miller
Bill Pletcher
(deceased 12/20/22)
Bernard Showalter
Willis Sutter
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Zelda Yoder

1952
13.2% — $67,550

John Bixler
Sue Herr Burkholder
Louise Thomas Cullar
Maxine Frey Diller
Paul Diller
Esther Buckwalter Graber
Ronald Graber
Dave Groh
James Miller
Miriam Troyer Showalter
Robert Smith
Donald Sommer
Earl Sutter
Maurice Yordy

1953
24.4% — $47,770

Mary Groh
Leonard Gross
Rodney Herr
Elwin LeFevre
(deceased 7/20/23)
Marge Schertz Liechty
Nancy Yoder Long
James Miller
Galen Otto
LaVerne Litwiller Petersen
Caroll Hostetler Roth
Phyllis Engle Saltzman
Patricia Brenneman Santiago
Harold Schultz
Elizabeth Stieglitz Scruggs
Doris Good Shoemaker
Fred Speckeen
John Swartzendruber
Paul Swartzentruber
Weldon Troyer
Aden Yoder
(deceased 4/4/23)
Helen Kandel Yoder

1954
21.6% — $185,752

Bill Albrecht
Kathryn Aschliman
Jim Christophel
Kay Brunk Eash
Luella Albrecht Gerig
Darrel Hostetler
Marian Hostetler
Marian Brendle Hostetler
Annabelle Conrad Hughes
Lulu Fink Kirkpatrick
Clyde Landes
Darlene Metzler Landes
Roland Landes
Jane Lehman
Ken Long
Geneva Kauffman Martin
Mary Ellen Yoder Meyer
Richard Miller
LaVerne Vogt Nafziger
Colene Aschliman Rich
Thelma Ackerson Roll
(deceased 8/16/23)
Edith Shantz
Lydia Schlabach Tester
Mary Jean Troyer
Joan Strauss Walsh
Lois Yoder
Virgil Yoder

1955
21.7% — $104,735

Carolyn Brooks Blosser
Jim Delp
Carolyn Smith Diener
Eileen Rutt Graybill
Alta Perry Grossman
Verena Wyse Jacobs
Mary Ann Heiser Jost
Ray Kauffman
Dave Leatherman
Deloris Herr Meiners
Jeanette Keener Metzler
Paul Metzler
Anna Nofziger Miller
Bill Miller
Phyllis Ramseyer Miller
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Bea Hilty Slabach
Margaret Gerber Stoltzfus
Marie Habegger Strahm
Cara Frey Ulrich
Frank Ulrich
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Helen Eicher Weldy
Carol Sommer Yoder

1956
23.9% — $62,492

Anonymous
Lois Dayton Byler Morauski
Gene Caskey
Ruth Wismer Cender
Ila Eichelberger Dennis
Paul Helmuth
Lois Ruth Kennel
Julia Steiner Leatherman
Lois Gisel Leidig
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Glenn Stoltzfus
Marie Althouse Stoltzfus
Vic Stoltzfus
Jan Hostetler Swartzentruber
Ardith Schertz Wilson
John Zook

1957
16.3% — $43,240

Mary Martin Christophel
(deceased 12/27/22)
Myrna Kinsinger Farraj
Lin Garber
(deceased 10/19/23)
Len Geiser
Anna Joyce Cooprider Hoff
Carl Hurst
Dale Kaser
Jean Sutter King
Eleanor Graber Kreider
Jane Schloneger Landes
Jim Lehman
Janet Miller Litwiller
Phil Rittgers
Alice Metzler Roth
Fran Stieglitz Schiller
Charles Shenk
Juanita Brenneman Shenk
Stan Smucker
Betty Snyder Stemen
Winifred Mumaw Wall
(deceased 7/29/23)
Carl Yoder
Phyllis Yoder
Terry Yoder
Theo Hartzler Yoder
(deceased 11/20/22)
Pearl Bauman Zehr

1958
21.9% — $440,672

Palmer Becker
Marylin Ebersole Boyer
Lois Yoder Brubacher
Carley Eash Brubaker
James Conrad
Lowell Detweiler
Betty Diener Fulmer
Al Graber
Anne Krabill Hershberger
John Hertzler
Barbara Amstutz Hodel
Donald Horst
Fay Etta Weaver Horst
Grace Mattar Kelley
Bertha Redekop Klassen
Phyllis Rensberger Kornhaus
Dan Leatherman
(deceased 8/23/23)
Betty Wenger Litwiller
Angel Miranda
Bettie Durst Moser
Carolyn Swartzendruber Nafziger
Anne Gerber Rios
Leanne Fricke Schertz
Ron Schertz
Merle Sommers
Nelson Waybill
Glenn Weaver
Dorothy Imhoff Wegman
Paul Wenger
Ed Yoder
LeVon Yoder
Marceil Hartzler Yoder
Avery Zook
Bill Zuercher
Joyce Gingerich Zuercher

1959
24.7% — $101,200

Kenneth Amstutz
Ervin Beck
Phyllis Lauver Beck
Verda Hostetler Bialac
James Bixler
Don Blosser
Marion Bontrager
Lewis Brubacher
Sue Miller Byler
Darlene Mathis Eddy
Ada Kaufman Enzen
Nancy Fisher
Fran Kaufman Gerber
Phyllis Miller Gerber
Dolores Kauffman Graber
Vivian Amstutz Headings
Joanne Yoder Holtzinger
Gordon Hostetler
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Margaret Miller Ingold
Vivian Tyson Kaser
Shirley Martin Kowaleski
Carroll Miller
Gerald Miller
Jim Miller
Mary Knox Miller
Lora Esch Miranda
Jan Stickel Mullet
John Nyce
Joyce Metzler Petro
Fancheon Emmert Resler
Arnold Roth
Lucille Schultz Roth
Norma Roeschley Slagell
Lila Amstutz Smucker
Marlene Rufenacht Smucker
Ralph Smucker
Leon Stutzman
Donald White
Donald Yoder
Larry Yoder
Maxine Mumaw Yoder

1960
19% — $177,138

Kathleen Harley Aeschliman
Julia Rohrer Beyeler
Jane Zehr Birky
Lucille Yoder Blue
Char Alderfer Clymer
Mark Conrad
Nancy Gerber Conrad
Janette Martin Deihl
Dory Kennel Delp
Mary Jane Mumaw Fast
Lillian Sage Fitzgerald
Lavera Sommers Helmuth
Carolyn Lehman Henry
Abner Hershberger
Ruth Stieglitz Hooley
Phyllis Davenport Hostetler
Byron Kauffman
Sam Kaufman
(deceased 2/7/23)
Wayne Kornhaus
Grace Leatherman
Gary Lehman
Milton Litwiller
Lorna Linder Longenecker
Nevin Longenecker
Devon Miller
Kris Miller
Marie Keeler Miller
Caroline Nebel
Jacob Neufeld
Eldina Miller Nussbaum

Margaret Swartzendruber Ryan
Wallace Shellenberger
George Smucker
Marion Steiner
Jim Stemen
Jo Ann Troyer Sumner
Ann Sommer Troyer
Ora Troyer
Lynn Williams
Anita Hoffman Yoder
Devon Yoder
Doris Detrow Yoder
Leroy Yoder
Marian Smith Yoder
Ruth Hockman Yoder
Dorothy Yoder Nyce
Eldon Zehr

1961
24% — $279,402
Anonymous (2)
Jim Alderfer
Ruth Hess Alderfer
Sharon Long Baker
Beth Hostetler Berry
Lavonne Gisel Bixler
Don Clemens
Lois Weaver Friesen
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Richard Yoder
Russel Yoder
LaVern Zehr

1962
21.1% — $746,544
Anonymous
John Amstutz
Mel Birky
Fern Graybill Brunner
James Byler
Jim Clymer *(deceased 11/1/22)*
Phyllis Lehman Collier
Peg McKibben Detwiler
Delores Histand Friesen
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Dave Gerber
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Loyal Klassen
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Vera Zook Schmucker
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Alice Shoemaker
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Gary Stoltz
Royal Unzicker
Carolyn Smucker Vanice
Dick Yoder
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LaJane Richer Yoder
Marcia Schrock Yoder
Robert Yoder
Joe Zehr

1963
23.6% — $196,518
Wilbur Birky
Lilah Graber Bohn
Becky Kaser Brubacher
Bob Brunk
Jan Eicher Brunk
Myrna Burkholder
Len Byler
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Kathy Winger Stuebing
Roberta Price Stutzman
Charles Ulrich
Arlene Yoder Wenger
John Wenger
Mary Lou Shetler Williams
Brad Yoder

1964
26.1% — $361,574
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John Beachy
Pat Sutter Bechtel
Roger Beck
Marty Mishler Bender
Bob Beyeler
Dan Bodiker
Diane Frey Bodiker
Bob Brubacher
Maretta Britsch Buller
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Jerrie Chan *(deceased 5/24/23)*
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Roseyn Rychener Devlin
Darrel Diener
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Faith Landis Wenger
James Wenger
Addie Amstutz Yoder
Jim Yoder
John Yoder
Kermit Yoder
Robert Yoder
Sharon Wise Yoder
Winnie Hostetler Yordy

1965
20% — $248,120
JoAnne Schrock Alderfer
Kirk Alliman
Jim Bare
Jim Brenneman
Marilyn Kaufman Brown
Rebecca Schlabach Byler-Mercer
Wilma Yordy Colter
Dorothy Delagrange Eberly
Carolyn Dick Emmert
Joann Zeiset Freed
Rodney Frey
Elaine Moyer Gibbel
Gilbert Gingerich
Beulah Clemens Glick
Ervie Glick
Carol Hartzler Grieser
Stan Grove
Donovan Handrich
Virgil Hershberger
Otis Hochstetler
Clyde Hockman
Tom Holtzinger
Norman Hsu
Ronald Hurst
Judy Kauffman Kennel
Bonnie Liechty King
Robert Koch
Dierra Kreider Lehman
Liz Lehman Martin *(deceased 1/30/23)*
Ruth Frankenfield Mumbauer
Nancy Eash Myers
Lorna Hostetler Mynsberge
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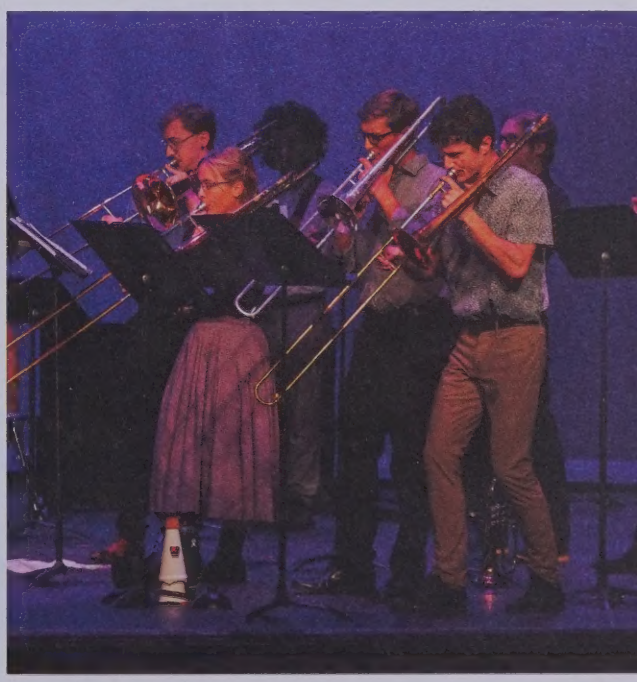
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Jane Hostetler Robinett
Vivian Crilow Schlabach
Rachel Yoder Schwartzendruber
Joe Short
Pete Short
Art Smoker
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Alvin Smucker
Betty Voran Smucker
Dan Steiner
Margaret Mann Steiner
Wes Steiner
Colleen Rhodes Stoltzfus
Philip Troyer
Marni Rychener White
Wini Boshart Wilt
Janet Yoder
John Yoder
Nancy Metzler Yoder
Wayne Yoder
John Yordy
John Zook

1966

24.3% — $2,322,906

Lois Beller Anneler
Roger Beachy
Cindy Jantzi Bell
Jan Kauffman Brenneman
Jan King Brubacher
John Burkey
Jon Byler
LuEtta Yoder Culp
Corinne Rohrer Dixon
Jan Weirich Eby
Kristin Troyer Ems
Ruby Byler Freed
Russ Freed
Laura Funk
Leonard Garber
Steve Gerber
Elaine Graber Gingerich
James Gingerich
Sandy Stalter Gingerich
Wallace Gingerich
Byron Good
Judy Burket Haller
Jim Halteman
Sally Brookmyer Hammitt
Loren Hartman
Greg Hartzler
Dorothea Dyck Honn
Wanda Amstutz Hostetler
Barbara Aeschliman Johnson
Rosa Yoder Johnson
Barb Gingrich Kauffman
DeRoy Kauffman
Linda Nofziger Kauffman
Sandy Kauffman
Myrna Yoder Kaufman
Roy Kaufman
Bonita Martin Kaufmann
Susanne King
Alice Umble Klassen
John Klassen
Gerald Kreider
Karen Beechy Kreider
Carol Lehman
Clair Martin
Guenn Stoltzfus Martin
Raymond Martin
Evie Yoder Miller
JD Miller *(deceased 8/2/23)*
Julia Mast Mishler
Phil Moyer
Dave Mullet
Paul Myers
Victor Myers
Dave Nofziger
Ruby Stoltzfus Nofziger
Sue Roth
Howard Schrock
Ronald Schrock
Christine Schumacher
Brenda Short Shelby
Grace Marie Souder
Ellen Brenner Steiner
Vern Stoltzfus
Sandy Richer Tinsler
Margaret Cline Weybright
Ellie Steiner Yoder
Gretchen Honderich Yoder
Janette Rupp Yoder
John Yoder
Tim Yoder
Karen Zimmerman
Mark Zimmerman
Richard Zimmerman

1967

23.1% — $495,090

Anonymous
Bev Horst Armstrong
Martha Dosher Beck
Jan Bleile
Linda Schmidt Brenneman
Sandy Schloneger Brenneman
Victoria Blair Crowe
Dave DeFehr
Dave Denlinger
Ann Peifer Eberly
Lillian Bartel Elias
Nancy Kennell Fisher
Dave Forrer
Dwight Gerber
Lowell Gerber
John Gingerich
Norris Glick
Carol Glick Mullet
Jean Wallace Griffin
Rebecca Imhoff Hartzler
Rodney Hartzler
Wealtha Yoder Helland
Carolyn Gass Hertzler
Arlene Koch Holdeman
Lois Janzen Preheim
Duane Kauffmann
Sandra Gunden Kennedy
Vernon King
Ruth Neffle Koch
Mary Roeschley Kratz
Ray Kratz
Carol Histand Lehman
Jane Gingerich Lehman
Don Litwiller
Patti Smucker MacGregor
James Martin
Ed Miller
Galen Miller
Leon Miller
Lloyd Miller
Ron Milne
Sally Jo Miller Milne
Colin Mishler
Bob Mullet
Wade Mullet
Elaine Gerber Nand
Amanda Knox Osborn
Kathy Yoder King Quinn
Lester Rassi
Gary Rediger
Patricia Mishler Roswell
Kathy Cutrell Royer
Lynn Rupp
Walter Sawatsky
Charlene Gerber Schildt
Tim Schrock
Karen Miller Self
Susan Shank
Gerald Short
Rita Kandel Smith
Stan Smith
Gary Smucker
Linda Yost Spohn
Bruce Stahly
Clayton Steiner
David Swartz
Gwen Widmer
Rachel Yoder Hartsough Wilcox
Jerry Wittrig
Norah Johnson Wolthuis
Clarence Yoder
Galen Yoder
June Alliman Yoder
Mary Schrock Yoder
Roveen Townsend Yoder

1968

20.9% — $2,689,083

Anonymous
Ron Anderson
Janice Kauffman Andrews
Walter Bachman
Terry Brown Beachy
Ivan Beyeler
Doug Brenneman
Rachel Cross Brenneman
Joan Smith Carter
Keith Derstine
Sherman Eberly
Ramzi Farran
John Frankenfield
Richard Frey
Kay Freyenberger Frunzi
Glenn Geissinger
Gary Gerber
Paula Geiser Gerber
Joan Gerig
Louise Burkholder Gingerich
Mary Grieser
Jane Bishop Halteman
Elaine Smucker Harley
John Harley
Alice Albrecht Hill
Rachael Troyer Hochstedler
Pauline Stutzman Hochstetler
Dave Kauffman
Richard Kauffman
Suzanne Beechy Kauffman
Dottie Shank Kauffmann
John Kaufman
Sharon Reist Kennel
Titus King
Gretchen Neuenschwander Kingsley
Syl Kreider
Diane Alderfer Kropf
Mike Lambright
Henry Landes
Jane Clemens Landes
Darlene Ritter Larrison
Ted Larrison
Philip Leatherman
Elaine Miller Liechty
Robert Litwiller
Cheryl Weldy Martin
Terry May
Dick Meyers
Linda King Meyers
Becky Iden Miller
Eunice Schmucker Miller
Twila Gingerich Miller
Jan Kropf Mullet
Lynn Newcomer
Verlyn Nofziger
Dallas Rychener
Bert Schlabach *(deceased 10/28/22)*
Nancy Schrock
Karl Sommers
Aliko Songolo
Donovan Steiner
Rita Graber Steiner
Robert Stuckey
Ardell Swartzendruber
Margaret Brenneman Thut
Jerry Troyer
Fay Terwillegar VanCise
Lavon Welty
Carolyn Liechty Wenger
Galen Wenger
Doug Yoder
Jan Hamsher Yoder
Keith Yoder
Joan Yoder Miller

1969

22.6% — $632,998

Jim Ashcraft
Donald Bacher
Jane Smucker Beyeler
Marion Beyeler
Tom Bishop
Trinda Hirschey Bishop
Arlee Albrecht Blackburn
Phil Bontrager
Cal Britsch
Elaine Jennings Buerge
Lenette Maurer Burckhart
Delbert Culp
John Davidson
Mary Derstein
Marilyn Wenger Derstine
Helen Redekop Dueck
Carol Koop Farran
Gail Fisher
Jerry Frey
Ray Funk
Tom Gardner
Della Yoder Gascho
Douglas Gingerich
Gloria Aeschliman Gingerich
Ken Gingerich
Helen Liechty Glick
Ken Graber
Ron Gunden
Duane Gusler
Merv Helmuth
Cheryl Hershberger
Kikuko Shukumine Hilbun
James Hochstetler
Elaine Bomberger Hostetler
Shirley Hildebrand Hsu
Sherry Huebert Schmidt
Glenda Hunter
Dan Kauffman
Barbara Claassen Kaufman
Jim Kaufmann
Del King
Larry King
Mike Klaus
Lyn Kratz
Paul Kreider
Gene Kropf
Rosemary Imhoff Law
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Thomas Lehman
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Ruth Fireoved Marino
Pat Stevens Miller
Paul E. Miller
Paul J. Miller
Steve Miller
Janie Liechty Mullet
Anita Hershberger Myers
Dennis Myers
Roland Myers
Ruby Newcomer
Keith Nofziger
Marge Troyer Nofziger
Donna Richer Oswald
Velma Miller Peck
Doris Nolley Perkins
Phil Rich
Dave Rosenberger
Larry Rupp
Rosemary Falb Rupp

Barbara Mullet Rychener
Jane Wenger Sell
Dave Shenk
Elaine Nussbaum Short
Karen Summer Short
Keith Springer
Anita Stalter
Keith Stuckey
Sue Eigsti Stuckey
Ted Stuckey
Mary Yoder Suter
Darrell Swartzentruber
Tim Thut
Marcia Mann Troup
Joyce Frey Troyer
Becky Tyson
Loren Weaver
Margaret Miller Williams
Esta Moreland Yoder
Ken Yoder
Linda Yoder
Mary Yoder
Mike Yoder
Dorothy Miller Zehr
Grant Zehr
Dorothy Peters Zimmerman

1970

18.9% — $427,985

Clarence Bauman
Carol Beechy
Judy Beechy
John Blosser
Mabel Amstutz Blunk
Henry Braun
Sara Lehman Braun
Carol Myers Brown
Audrey Yoder Croal
Phyllis Weaver Crouch
Betsy Davies Kibler
Jerry Derstine
Grace Martin Dickerson
Dean Falb
Jill Miller Frey
Jayne Poynter Gall
Mary Amstutz Gilbert
Judy Noe Gingerich
Noreen Preheim Gingerich
Martha Yoder Graber
Myron Graber
Shirlyn Liechty Graber
Sandra Roose Greene
Oliver Hardaway
Jean Rufenacht Hartzler
Rachel Nafziger Hartzler
Paul Hilbun
Carol Miller Histand
Robert Hochstedler
Helene Hoover
George Hostetler
Sanford Hostetter
Frank Kandel
Ann Alderfer Kauffman
Joan Stuckey Kauffman
Lois Johns Kaufmann
Betty Krady Kelsey
Miriam Ebersole Kennell
Badawe Khader
Joan Oswald Kulp
Janet Knox Landis
Vicki Gardner Lichti
Ginny Shank Martin
Richard Martin
Shirley Richer Martin
Kathy Lehman McCain
Lowell Miller
Myra Nafziger Oswald
Robert Oswald
Philip Paul
Ruth Gingerich Penner
Cynthia Wingard Peterson
Ken Pletcher
Roberta Davidhizar Rexroth
Doug Risser
Norene Rychener Saldana
Becky Roth Schenck
Glenn Slabaugh
Becky Gunden Smith
Roxanna Bontrager Sommers
Bob Souder
Barbara Yoder Stahly
Sid Stoltzfus
Bonnie Slaubaugh Stuckey
Terry Stuckey
Tom Stuckey
Linda Wyse Stump
Sem Sutter
Louise Morell Vanagasem
Sueann VonGunten
Ron Weirich
Vicki Randolph Weirich
Janet Wright
Bud Wulliman
Fred Yoder
Marcia Yoder-Schrock
LaVerne Yousey

1971

21.9% — $387,340

Audrey Alderfer
Darlene Trudel Ashcraft
Retha Yoder Baer
Phil Bauman
Ross Bender
Jeannette Birky
Carolyn Clemens Bontrager
Kathy Matthews Brubaker
June Gingrich Cleaveland
Dan Conrad
Nikki Beachy Denlinger
Wayne Denlinger
Ruth Dome
Jane Ebersole
Christine Yoder Falcon
Barb Schmid Fridley
Mary Yoder Glick
Sandra Gerig Glick
Doreen Wenger Good
Martha Smith Good
Randy Graber
Mike Haines
Ron Hartzler
Ruth Clemmer Hartzler
Rose Wiebe Haury
Diana Nafziger Hershberger
Joy Glick Hess
Stan Histand
Wayne Hochstedler
Loren Hostetler
Cindy Wedel Janzen *(deceased 8/16/23)*
Marci Phillips Jimenez
Lois Johnson
Allan Kauffman
Duane Kauffman
Carol Reeb Keel
David Kennell
Joy Kauffman Khader
Jean Schrag Lauver
Gay Hunsberger Lehman
Margaret Lehman
Don Lundberg
Nancy King Marsh
Roger Martin
Pat Massanari
Vicki Mester
Brad Miller
Cheryl Speicher Miller
John Miller
Lynn Miller
Rachel Buckwalter Miller
Stan Miller
Eileen Yoder Myers
Ben Nelson
Susan Gardner Nelson
Lois Falb Newcomer
Pat Nofziger
Deloris Oldenburg
Mary Bontrager Owens
Jeanette Eicher Rice
David Ritchie
John Roeschley
Rebecca Miller Roggio
Carol Freeman Rosenberger
Dean Schertz
Ruth Slabaugh Schrock
Michael Shank
Shirley Albrecht Shenk
Clay Shetler
Mike Short
Ken Sims
Dore Potteiger Smith
Mark Smucker
Vicki Yoder Smucker
Randy Snyder
Kathy Newcomer Springer
Rosilynn Ulrich Stoffel
Carla Handrich Stoltzfus
Max Stuckey
David Suh
Jean Swartley
Don Troyer
Jon Troyer
John Watson
Ron Wenger
Mary Ann Lehman Wieand
Ruth Ann Miller Wittrig
Phyllis Imhoff Wulliman
David Zehr

1972

24.9% — $952,638

Anonymous (4)
Peter Albrecht
Lynette Anderson Bachman
Franklin Baer
John Bauman
John Beitler
Anne Birky
Herman Bontrager
Milt Borntrager
Janet Hartzler Braslow
Lonnie Buerge
Shirley Handrich Bustos
Alma Coffman
Cathy Conrad
Deborah Conrad
Mary Ann Halteman Conrad
Jan Graber David
Hilda Wiebe Driedger
Dee Schwartz Dueck
Mamo Dula
Marilyn Steiner Eigsti
John Enz
Susan Beechy Enz
Kathleen Ford Fix
Nancy Summerville Flint Shambaugh
Dale Frankenfield
Rich Gerig
Sam Gingerich
Frances Weaver Grill
Donald Gunden
Theresa McCarthy Gunden
Tom Gunden
Bob Guth
Lois Hooley Hall
John Hershberger
Betty Boshart Histand
Phil Histand
Carol Helmuth Honderich
Martin Honderich
Naomi Brubaker Hoover
Gerry Horst
Joyce Huber
Don Inglis-Widrick
Don Jantzi
Marilyn Hostetler Jantzi
Jan Graber Johnson
Nelda Stickel Johnson
John Jost
Joe Landis
Janelle Landis Kheshgi
Paul Lauver
Sandy Lehman
Mary Rich Liechty
Suzanne Hilty Lind
Timothy Lind
James Miller
John Miller
Sandy Wyse Miller
John Mishler
Phyllis Emerson Mishler
Karen Strauss Nichols
Lowell Nunemaker
Gloria Yoder Nussbaum
Ray Nussbaum
Rebecca Falb Oyer
Robert Oyer
Amy Conrad Phend
Justine Clemmer Pletcher
Dean Rhodes
Vernon Rice
Edward Rissler
Jean Kuhns Rissler
Janice Roth
Jan Schrock
Ruth Dyck Scott
Pert Miller Shetler
Grace Hostetler Sims
Judy Risser Sommer
Ted Springer
Kathy Bennett Stiffney
Don Stoffel
Donna Blowers Stoltzfus
Jan Hershberger Stoltzfus
Esther Han Suh
Verna Hostetler Troyer
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Jorgiann Waltner
Susan Anderson Weaver
Nancy Davidhizar Yoder
Julie Byler Zehr
Lois Sharp Zendt

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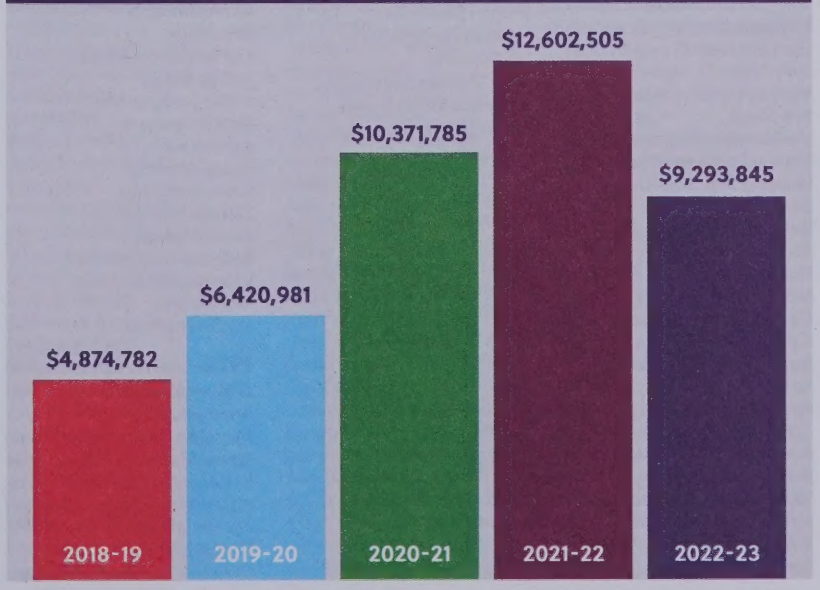

1973
19.6% — $209,126

Stephen Ainlay
Faith Alderfer
Brenda Goossen Beitler
Janet Palicki Bettcher
Renee Short Black
Mario Bustos
Linda Stalter Butti
Tim Clemens
Tom Clemens
Nevin Diener
Donna Zuck Eigsti
Eldon Eigsti
Stan Engle
Marcy Schertz Gerig
Eileen Good
Kathleen Grieser
Julie Schrock Gunden
Jay Hartzler
Sherilyn Greaser Hartzler
Larry Heatwole
Sandra Hess
Curt Holsopple
Ken Horst
Beth Swanson Hower
Amy Gerber Kauffman
Bernie Beyer Kauffman
Tom Kauffman
Nancy Geiser Kauffmann
Vicky Yordy Kirkton
James Krabill
John Lauver
Dan Liechty
Geneva Newcomer Martin
Rodney Maust
Carol Miller
Debra Fisher Miller
Ellen Kempf Miller
Samuel Miller
Verna Miller
Jane Willems Moore
Betsy Alderfer Moyer
Dale Nissley
Ginny Whitmer Nunemaker
Chibu Ozor
Nellene Kuhns Plouffe
Donna Cyphers Reist-Bergeron
Margaret Richer Smith
Marty Detweiler Savanick
Sally Richard Schreck
Meribeth Shank
Gary Shetler
Jerry Short
Mary Jo Hartzler Short
Tim Short
Marlene Slagle Springer
Dianne Springer Brenneman
Jan King Stair
Sanford Stauffer
Rick Stiffney
Barbara Stone
Rod Summer
Marty Suter
Carmen Stutzman Thompson
June Hershberger Trcka
Judi Vessey
Ruth Wenger *(deceased 3/23/23)*
Rose Gunden Widmer
James Wyse
Joyce Shoemaker Yoder
June Gingerich Yoder
Roberta Miller Yoder
Sara Alice Zimmerly

1974
19% — $901,750

LaVelle Byers Allen
Jan Kirk Amstutz
Jo Ann Otto Borntrager
Ellen Witmer Bowman
Greg Bowman
Maynard Brubacher
Rich Clemens
Henry Derstine
Rachel Harder Diener
Don Ebersole
Jake Eichelberger
Sandra Shoemaker Friesen
Steve Garboden
Larry Gautsche
Jim Gingerich
Stephen Glick
Susan Gotwals
Tim Graber
Scott Graybill
Liz Gunden
Debra Neumann Hansen
Galen Hershberger
Susan Murray Hofstetter
Linda Benner Horst
Sherry Roupp Jordan
Armon Kauffman
Minh Nguyen Kauffman
Stan Kauffman
Keith Kauffmann
Carol Kautz
Gary Keister
Norma Denk Keister
Carol Canal King
Jan Kraus
Joan Kropf
Paul Leichty
Diane Clemens Leland
Daniel Lemons
Ed Liechty
Nancy Liechty Loewen
Susan Hepler Long
Chris Yost Lundberg
Marvin Lyles
Jon Mast
Connie Yoder McTigue
Galen Miller
Ted Neumann
Kay Thut Nussbaum
Sharon Shenk Risser
Hannah Horst Schertz
Joe Schrock
Mary Thomas Schrock
Leeandra Smith Sewell
Arden Shank
Jay Shetler
Hilda Shirk
Jay Smith
Ada Beyer Souder
Joanne Sprunger
Mary Sprunger-Froese
Bob Stauffer
Kent Stucky
Linda King Stucky
Lauralea Suess
Sam Troyer
Jane Snyder Vendrely
Sue Weaver
Galen Wenger
Jane Wenger Clemens
David Widmer
Jonathan Yoder
John Zehr
Judy Zimmerman Herr

1975
16.7% — $153,159

Judy Gardner Ainlay
Deryll Amstutz
Doug Basinger
Leonard Beechy
Sharon Schrock Beechy
LaMar Bender
Marti Deisler Brown
Bill Clemens
Debra Hostetler Dietrich
Janelle Roupp Diller
Stephen Diller
Fred Driver
Denny Drudge
Rebecca Dyck
Greg Ebersole
Dan Eigsti
Mary Lou Swartzendruber Farmer
Doug Gaff
Rebecca Peterson Gaff
Yvonne Garber
Mary Garber-Saleh
Julia Graber Gautsche
Jennifer Northage Glick
Linda Widrick Gnagey
Hope Branscombe Graham
Fred Habegger
Paul Hartman
Dottie Beachy Hathaway
Ray Hershberger
Kathy Yoder Holsopple
Dennis Hoover
Becky Bontrager Horst
Sheila Hostetler
Hans Houshower
Cynthia Jones Irick
Mark Jordan
Joan Kreider
Rich Kremer
Tim Lehman
Mary Lehman Yoder
Mary Smucker Lemons
Mary Purves Liechty
Sarah Lind
Brenda Martin
Stephanie Mason
Calvin Miller
Darlene Showalter Miller
Lana Miller
Randy Miller
Ron Miller
Darlene Short Ramon
Jeffrey Rasley
Kathy Gnagey Short
Randy Springer
Joanna Suter
Doug Vendrely
Chris Gerig Way
Gordon Weirich
Janice Wenger
Barb Sommer Wieferich
Vicki Kauffman Yoder
Marvin Zehr
MJ Zimmerman

1976
17% — $260,970

Anonymous (2)
Mary Ellen King Andris
Janice Martin Baldauf
Kathleen Balutansky
Sheryl Miller Bauer
Patricia Bixler
Russ Buschert
Christine Alderfer Carpenter
Pam Swartzendruber Clouse
Arvis Dawson
Daryl Derstine
Gayle Dosher
Robert Fatton
Joe Fretz
Barb Freyenberger
Maribeth Diener Friesen
Diane Stutzman Graybill
Nancy Tielkemeier Guthrie
Lois Styer Halsel
William Haning
Geneva Hershberger
Rosemary Buckwalter Hershberger
Sylvia Horst
Barbara Weybright Hrynewycz
Rachel Leaman Johns
Deb Gahman Johnston
Jean Liechty Jordan
Lenny Jordan
Jon Kauffmann-Kennel
Lois Kaufmann-Hunsberger
Don Kooker
Russ Kremer
Geoff Landis
Dick Lehman
Jolene Bontrager Lehman
Ronald Martin
Rhoda Miller Mast
Dorothy Kaisand Mertz
Kirsten Weldy Meyer
Byron Miller
Pete Miller
Julie Miller Derstine
John Nafziger
Margo Westerbeek Nafziger
Pam Piper-Ruth
Paula Neumann Ream
Sid Richard
Evan Richards
Linda Richer
Dennis Rittenhouse
Albert Roggio
Luke Roth
Jay Schlabach
John Sharp
Karen Fast Shenk
Gene Short
Jane Graber Short
Lois Fast (Ganger) Sousley
Joyce Wyse Spohr
Brent Sprunger
Susan Stoesz
Marge Martin Weaver
Sharon Wingard Wyse
Beth Ranck Yoder
Joanne Hershberger Yoder
Rick Yoder
Lloyd Zeager
Eric Zehr
Patricia Ebersole Zwier

1977
13% — $206,550

Anonymous
Sylvia Albrecht Aschliman
Eileen Becker-Hoover
Merlin Becker-Hoover
Ron Blaum
Jim Brenneman
Terri Plank Brenneman
Sarah Buller Fenton
Susan Ebersole
Mark Edsall
Marcia Wenger Ertel
Curt Fenton
Kelvin Friesen
Ann Froese-Fretz
Beth Gerig
Judy Martin Godshalk
Joyce Nymeyer Graybill
Gerry Hertzler
Linda Kraybill Histand
Loren Johns
Don Kauffman
Sherm Kauffman
Terry Kaufmann-Hunsberger
Kay Kempf
Virginia Miller Lettinga
Anita Martin
Donna Schlabach Mast
Doyle Miller
Randy Murray
Robert Nafziger
Roger Nafziger
Faith Hershberger Penner
Teresa Bennett Russell
Michele Miller Sharp
Rebekah Cox Short
Randy Smith
Dale Souder
Martha Steria
Don Thomas
Rollin Ulrich
Barry Weaver
Jacque Brandeberry Wilson
Connie Miller Yoder
Doug Yoder
Joanne Yoder
John Blosser Yoder
Martha Yoder Maust
Ann Yoder Smith

1978
18.1% — $167,178

Anonymous
Lorene Lehman Arnold
Cheryl Leichty Blaum
Lori Hollenberg Bontrager
Wes Bontrager
Helen Stoltzfus Bowman
Karen Lapp Bowman
Jonathan Clemens
Rosa Clemens-Hines
Randy Clouse
Barb Liechty Detweiler
Jay Detweiler
Mary Dyck
Debby Funk
Bonnie Yoder Gerber
Jean Sutter Glick
Marilyn Graber
Mary Liechty Graber
Dave Graybill
Ann Klink Herendeen
Jim Histand
Glenda Jantzi Hooley
Eileen Hostetler
Mary Kauffmann-Kennel
Paul Keim
Dale Kempf
Judy Davis Kooker
Barbara Bixler Lamb
Gary Lamb
Joanne Leatherman
Frieda Hsieh Lee
Greg Leichty
Rita Kennel Lopienski
Mim Miller Mast
Dallis Nisley Miller
Debbie Olson Miller
Mark Miller

WHY I GIVE TO GOSHEN...

I give to Goshen College out of a sense of gratitude and deep appreciation for all the institution gave me. As a student, I formed meaningful relationships that shaped my life, learned skills and knowledge to begin building my career, received opportunities to grow, and gained a greater understanding of myself and the role I play in my communities. An education like that can open doors for students and communities. When I was an employee, I saw the impact and evolution a Goshen College education has on its students' lives and trajectories repeatedly. I support Goshen College because I know firsthand that it is a transformative force of good in a complicated world."

— **Maryn Munley '14**, Watertown, Massachusetts — a project manager at Harvard Business School and a member of the Goshen College Alumni Council

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Amy Yoder Murray
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Dennis Nice
Mary Erb Nitzsche
Nancy Dome Patton
Bruce Peifer
Roger Piper-Ruth
Terry Rediger
Pat Goossen Robbins
Catherine Frederick Roth
Eloise Schrag
Linda Schrock
Doug Schwartzentruber
Jan Bender Shetler
Peter Shetler
(deceased 9/26/22)
Ruth Sutter
Will Swartzendruber
Barb Thuma
John Tiessen
Barbara Derstine Weirich
Cathy Wismer
Karen Kreider Yoder
Marisa Lingerfelt Yoder
Paul Yoder
Brian Zehr

1979
15.3% — $119,958
Ryan Ahlgrim
Dave Anderson
Lois Kieffaber Bare
Michael Bender
Jeff Birky
Phil Bontrager
David Bowman
Lyn Schlabach Buschert
Susan Fisher Miller
Lamar Freed
Pamela Gerig Unruh
John Glick
Sally Weaver Glick
Peter Graber
Cynthia Moser Grau
Burdette Gunden
Carl Haarer
Barth Hague
Nancy Stoner Heisey
Robin Helmuth
Steve Herendeen
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Leanna Cender Kaser
Marlo Kauffman
Ruth Kauffmann
Cal Kaufman
Sherri Gunden King
Sue Fisher King
Julie King Keim
Merrill Krabill
Ken Kraybill
Christina Litwiller
Conrad Mast
Dave Miller
Beth Miller Kraybill
Mark Neumann
Jean Newcomer
Gail Janzen Newel
Hai Thi Nguyen
Joyce Nafziger Peifer
Mary Nyce Roth
Randy Roth
Mary Arslan Roy
Eunice Rush-Day
Delvin Rychener
Greg Slough
Eric Stoltzfus
Ruth Horst Stoltzfus
Janice Yordy Sutter
John Swartzendruber
Don Tyson
Jan Ulrich
Deb Hostetler VanDerMolen
Jon Warkentin
Jane Keeney Webster

1980
15.7% — $221,858
Anonymous
Naomi Kucik Baumgartner
Alice Gunden Bender
Craig Berkey
Jean Beyler
Millie Tann Birky
Carol Bucher Bixler
Sam Bixler
Beth Gerig Bontrager
Anita Stoltzfus Breckbill
Sheryl Burkhalter
John Ross Buschert
Barb Carbaugh
Catherine Tonn Coscia
Pat Zeiset Crotty
Miriam Stoltzfus DeShield
Dayton Frey
Olga Contreras Garcia
Pearl Geiser
John Gerber
John Gingerich
Howard Good
Ann Graber Miller
Charlotte Gingerich Gunden
James Gunden
Deb King Helmuth
Lorie Ringenberg Hershberger
Susan Kauffman
Jan Loewen Landis
Joy Neumann Landis
Doris Boehr Miller
Ken Miller
(deceased 10/3/23)
Lee Miller
Paul Mumaw
Doug Nisley
Rod North
Robbin Lerch O'Leary
Sally Oyer
Tim Penner
Jerilee Kinzie Rediger
Rhonda Richer
Joyce Horst Rusin
Renee Sawatzky
Patty Yoder Schmucker
Bonita Bontrager Schrock
Mark Shelly
Beth Sholly
Brad Sommer
Kathy Koshmider Sommer
Joe Springer
Char Schrag Sprunger
Ruth Weber Claassen Stephens
David Sutter
Dave Warnke
LaVina Miller Weaver
Donita Shaum Wheeler
Christian Yoder
Mandy Miller Yoder
Suzanne Miller Yoder
Cheryl Troyer Zehr
John Zehr
Sheila Lyndaker Zehr

1981
15.8% — $116,592
Anonymous (2)
Kent Beck
Rosy Miller Berkey
Doug Bomberger
Bonnie Borntrager
Patricia Shumaker Chisholm
Marie Gehman Clemens
Peter Conrad
Warren Croyle
Ken Edwards
Cal Eigsti
David Erb
Gregg Friesen
Joanna Fenton Friesen
Rose Alvarez Gillin
Phil Godshalk
John Graber
Beth Graybill
Beth Smucker Grieser
Jonathan Grieser
Michael Grieser
Rick Harnish
Paul Hershberger
Judy Kauffman
Bob Kehr
Susan Kenagy
Rose Hooley Lambright
Doug Landis
Shari Leidig Holland
Jeff Long
Brenda North Martin
Dan Miller
Phyllis Miller
Gail Schrock Neumann
David King Powell
John Roth
Ruth Miller Roth
Rosalie Schrag

Dan Schrock
Molly Jo Skiles Seeck
Ken Shenk
Sara Shenk
Irene Yoder Smucker
Tina Springer
Diane Stauffer
Duane Stoltzfus
Eric Stoltzfus
Karen Sherer Stoltzfus
Joy Sutter
Mary Sutter
Ben Unger
Dave Weaver
Sherry Mellinger Wenger
Pat Wharton-Hege
Diane Leatherman Yoder
Peter Yoder
Steve Kreider Yoder
Steve L. Yoder
Michael Zehr
Avery Zook
Pamela Bontrager Zook

1982

14.4% — $127,767

Kevin Allebach
Cindy Brubaker
Doug Caskey
Karl Cender
Sharon DeBliek-Anderson
Ester Snyder DeFehr
Julie Swartzendruber Delp
Laura Eitzen
Calvin Esh
Chip Frederick
Ann Garl
Jon Geiser
Mark Gibbel
Rita Liechty Gingrich
Les Gustafson-Zook
Wilma Harder
Bob Hershberger
Randy Horst
Janice Kennel Ropp
Mary Ette Kramer
John Lapp
Sandra Shenk Lapp
Laura Lerch Horst
Mark Liechty
Janet Lind
Gail Miller Manickam
Tim Manickam
Joanna Osborne Masingila
Keith Mast
Carla Hughes Miller
Crandall Miller
Joyce Miller
Ken Miller
Nadine Zook Miller
Sanford Miller
Stan Miller
Douglas Minter
Bob Mishler
Dennis Mishler
Wayne Nitzsche
Cliff Oyer
Ellen Peachey
Brent Rychener
Tina Stoltzfus Schlabach
Michael Sherer
Karla Soukup
Brenda Boehr Srof
Jody Srof
Tim Stair
Marge Kempf Swartzendruber
Cynthia Cooke Weisel
Harold Wharton-Hege
David Yoder
Terry Yoder

1983

14.6% — $324,290

Krisann Zunkel Applegate
Gretta Lehman Beitler
Eric Christner
Linda Albrecht Christophel
Erik Cressman
Kurt Eby
Rachel Liechty Eby
Laurie Fulle-Rychener
Ned Geiser
Kevin Gerig
Jud Gingrich
Joan Gotwals Yoder
Galen Graber
John Graybill
Tito Guedea
Lisa Neumann Heinz
Chris Herr
Ken Hochstetler
Eric Hooley
Laura Hostetler
Marcy Hostetler
Brent Kaser
Rod Kaufman
Wes Mark
Elaine Martin
Malcolm Metzler
Cecilia Miller
Mary Lou Overholt Miller *(deceased 4/9/23)*
Dan Nafziger
Mark Plank
Lori Byler Reethof
Kathy Meyer Reimer
Paul Meyer Reimer
Evan Roth
Biene Schaefer
Jennifer Halteman Schrock
Patsy Musser Sherer
Byron Shetler
Gail Mann Shetler
JD Smucker
Dallas Sommers
Jim Spicher
Ramona Stahl
Barry Stoltzfus
Ingrid Bixler Stoltzfus
Rebecca Stoltzfus
Emily Hertzler Swartley
Kenton Swartley
Beck Unternahrer
Miriam Voran
Deb Weaver
Mark Weaver
Al Weldy
Karen Weldy
Robert Wheeler
Andrea Zuercher

1984

12.1% — $105,830

Tamene Abebe
Jim Alvarez
Connie Leinbach Bauman
Gail Lehman Baumgartner
CarolSue Hostetler Borkholder
Jim Caskey
Eric Cressman
Beth Good Gerig
Janet Erb Geyer
Lisa Guedea Carreno
Mary Harder
Marie Harnish
Tamie Schrock Herr
Jay Hochstetler
Sue Alderfer Hochstetler
Edmond Hsieh
Mike Hunsberger
Mike Jantze
Bob Lerch
Jennifer Lapp Lerch
Ivan Mast
Lois Stoltzfus Mast
Jill Clauss Newcomer
Gareth Nissley
Becky Miller Nussbaum
David Reimer
Dorothy Shirk Rozelle
Kahlil Schertz
Lonnie Sears
Regina Shands Stoltzfus
Marvin Slabaugh
Rodney Stutzman
Linda Graber Taylor
Beth Litwiller Troyer
Don Troyer
Jill Wyse
Christine Miller Yoder
Todd Yoder
Rebecca Detweiler Zehr
Phil Zimmerman
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— **Ainslee Zou '22**, Baltimore, Maryland — a postbaccalaureate research fellow at the National Institute of Health and a member of the Goshen College Alumni Council

1985
18.2% — $344,780
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Fanni Marner Birky
Amy Bixler
Beth Bontrager
Gordon Bontrager
Jamey Bontrager-Singer
Kay Bontrager-Singer
Lisa Yoder Caskey
Conrad Clemens
Margaret Miller Clemens
Bethany Denlinger
Kaylene Yoder Ediger
Dave Gautsche
Jean Alexander Gilcrest
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DeLane Miller Graber
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Steve Harnish
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Carolyn Martin
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John Mast
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Ginny Bontrager Miller
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Tim Oyer
Jerrell Richer
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John Sauder
Steve Schlabach
David Schneider
Sandi Graber Sears
Elizabeth Schrock Slabaugh
Greg Sommers
Mike Stauffer
Arlene Hinckle Steffen
Paul Steury
Bob Toews
Brenda Stoltzfus Toews
Ann Gusler Vendrely
Pat Vendrely
Barbara Lerch Weaver
Harley Yoder
Jane Yoder
Kathleen Schertz Yoder

1986
12.1% — $121,822
Deana Moren Baker
Michael Bixler
Nora Cardoza-Deering
Ann Minter Fetters
Monty Garber
Laurie Virgil Gray
Sally Hunsberger
Susan Graber Hunsberger
Deb Bontrager Kauffman
Jeff Kauffman
Jeanine Cender Kaufman
Hanna Khoury
Kim Kornhaus
Kathleen Kremer
Jan Miller Lehman
Tim Lehman
Brent Mann
Jim Martin
Kendel Martin
Linda Dintaman Martin
Teresa Dyck Mauzy
Deb Miller
James Miller
Terri Brown Miller
David Moser
Kathy Nofziger Yeakey
Patty Schlabach Nofziger
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Michael Peachey
Emily Riesser
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Craig Schloneger
Linford Shenk Beachy
Dave Smucker
Greg Smucker
Sue Sommers
Deb Miller Stack
Donna Stoltzfus
Tom Swartzendruber
Steve Thomas
Dave Treber
Lorna Troyer

1987
16.1% — $101,510
Anonymous
Jeff Aeschliman
Margaret Fisher Aeschliman
Linda Anneler Zehr
Teresa Paglow Bomberger
Ruth Brenneman
Wendy Brunner
Nancy Chupp
Wendy Eash
Becky Troyer Fontaine
Lisa Yoder Gautsche
Nita Gerig
Marge Springer Gingerich
Jennifer Headings Graber
Kevin Graber
Jay Gusler
Kenneth Kauffman
Dave Kieper
Roelf Kuitse
Ann Helmuth Leaman
Bryan Leaman
Berdine Mininger Leinbach
Kenton Longenecker
Christopher Markley
Lori Yoder Martin
Mark Martin
Stan Martin
Doug Mast
Janell Maust
Emil Menzies
Darren Miller
Jeff Miller
Kay Nofziger Miller
Kathy Blosser Plank
Durrell Ramer
Jan Marie Albrecht Ramer
Ken Rodgers
Karen Miller Rush
Malinda Stoltzfus Sanna
Margaret Warkentin Sawatsky
Ann Conrad Schloneger
Jonathan Schrag
Bob Shreiner
Bill Stoltzfus
Rhonda Clemens Talbott
Linda Lehman Thomas
Rob Tiessen
Jennifer Ulrich
Ed Zuercher

1988
9.8% — $34,770
Beth Bartel
Cynthia Yoder Bontrager
Joy Kauffman Detweiler
Randy Detweiler
Liz Hodel Fakhoury
Julia Friesen
Elena Saner Greer
PJ Helmuth
Kay Hershberger
Frank Hess
Todd Holsopple
Karen Kaufmann Kieper
Karen Yoder Kym
Christine Landis
Dan Liechty
Elaine Miller
Jana King Peachey
Stephanie Brenneman Ramer
Beth Hochstetler Smucker
Matt Steiner
Kerry Stutzman
Lon Swartzentruber
Harley Toole
Eric Unzicker
Kim Roth Walker
Carol Garber Welty
Marilyn Shantz Yoder
Tim Yoder

1989
11.7% — $61,120
Neil Amstutz
Jill Erb Bontrager
Chris Bowers
Eric Dyck Hilty
Heidi Dyck Hilty
Janice Martin Goldsmith
Carol Good-Elliott
Nicole Clymer Gusler
Tamara Loewen Hazbun
Emily Headings
Randy Hertzler
Susan Hunsberger
Margaret Jeschke
Doug Kaufman
Phil Kym
Steve Leinbach
Vonda Litwiller
Audra Miller Mark
James Mark
Jeff Martin
Van Nussbaum
Kristina Roth Martin
Kathy Mast Shreiner
Charlotte Strasser *(deceased 5/16/23)*
Youko Watari
Ruth Krabill Weirich
Jon Welty Peachey
Rebecca Wyse

1990
12.9% — $94,792
Gayle Alderfer Fisher
Jennifer North Bauman
Kendal Bauman
Kim Burkholder
Kirby Carpenter
Trudy Good
Linda Garber Gunden
Shane Hartzler
Rex Hochstedler
Jennifer Manley Jain
Brian Jans
Dawn Kaczor
Jan Helmuth Kauffman
Jeff Kauffman
Dawn Kaufman-Frey
Jill Koop Liechty
Ron Krabill
Scott Litwiller
Ann Reedy Longacre
Jim Longacre
Eric Massanari
Charlene Mast
Anita Miller
Anthony Miller
Bart Miller
Jodi Miller
Maynard Miller
Denise Clemens Murphy
Rachel Miller Nolt
Steve Nolt
Maria Lehman Osborne
Joel Otto
Lisa Rheinheimer Otto
Donna Nofziger Risser
Rita Ruth Rupp
Sue Schmucker Coblentz
Lori Steiner Jans
Barb Stutzman
Ric Troyer
Andrea Welty Peachey

1991
7.7% — $68.260
Phil Bergey
Trinda Bolton
Todd Brenneman
Shashi Buluswar
Lorin Byler
Amy Von Gunten Clemens
Kent Clemens
Laura Devine
Susan Edwards
Andre Hackman
Julie Hertzler
Angie Nofziger Hochstedler
Cathleen Hockman-Wert
Chad Horning
Michelle Yoder Horning
Yolanda Kauffman
Rochelle Martin Klaassen
Beverly Lapp
Bruce Nofziger
Steve Norton
Lynda Nyce
Shannon Musselman Unzicker
Mary Yoder
Tonya Yoder

1992
7.7% — $12,420
Brent Beck
Scott Bodiker

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DJ McFadden
Eric Miller
Sharon Brugger Norton
Jeff Osborne
Brent Reinhardt
Jason Samuel
Tami Schlabach
Mark Schloneger
Susan Miller Setiawan

1993
10.5% — $30,480
William Ding
Diane Miller Eldridge
Ingrid Friesen Moser
Kendra Good Hendon
Mary Hershberger
Kirsten Oleen Housholder
Paul Housholder
Bill Kaufmann
Betty Lew Kennel
Eric Kurtz
Patrick Leaman
Susan Lehman
Erika Yoder Meyer
Tom Meyer
Brian Miller
Jodi Burkhalter Miller
Gail Hess Nafziger
Kent Nafziger
Shawn Nafziger
Lori Nitzsche
Gretchen Nyce
Marla Gerber Reinhardt
Sarah Hubbard Schloneger
Scott Schmucker
Michael Schrock
Benjamin Setiawan
Sam Snyder
JJ Stuckey
Brenda Wyse Summers
Jason Wyse

1994
8.6% — $117,190
Dean Altstaetter
Steve Beyeler
Jonathan Bollinger
Shanti DeFehr
Gayle Troyer Frey
Suella Lehman Gerber
Andrea Buller Golden
Jan Good-Bollinger
Melissa Grose
Carmen Horst
Melika Kauffman Hershberger
LaDene King
Glenn Martin Klaassen
Carolyn Schantz Lichti
Cheryl Kaufman Mast
Lisa Miller
Dan Nussbaum
Scott Reeser
Marlene Reiff
Jen Helmuth Shenk
Lara Troyer
David Unzicker
Leanna Bontrager Yoder

1995
6% — $7,312
Kim Souder Barrett
Chad Bauman
Patricia Yousey Heath
Rachel Hostetler
Ram Khattri Chettri
La Vern Friesen Klassen
Eric Martin
Emily Lehman Miller
Tonya Kauffman Miller
David Moyer-Diener
Nate Osborne
Sarah Frankenfield Price
Lora Gisel Rusel
Kim Stuckey-Schrock
Julie Yoder

1996
9% — $66,036
Jenelle Basinger
Jodi Mullet Bauman
Malinda Berry
Mike Bodiker
Kevin Claassen
Jon Friesen
Kristin Wengerd Friesen
Linda Gerber-Stellingwerf
Dora Kaufman
Britt Kaufmann
Eric Kaufmann
Sonya Mateer Rempel
Scott Minielly
Laura Yoder Moshier
Mitch Rhodes
Beth Conrad Rupp
David Rupp
Colin Rupley Rusel
Kyle Schlabach
Chad Smoker
Dan Steiner
Bethany Swope
Derek Yoder

1997
11.1% — $26,790
Rebecca Beachy Miller
Emily Burkhalter
Jennette Badgett Claassen
Carrie Fisher Stalter
Lisa Gunden
Kelly Hartzler
Cheryl Monesmith Heck
Lenora Hirschler
Scott Hochstetler
Curtis Jantzi
Barbara Showalter Josenhans
David Lind
Rachel Miller Moreland
Jason Moshier
Joanna Moyer-Diener
Brent Nofziger
Nathan Rempel
Steve Schrock
Angie Harshbarger Shoemaker
Joe Shoemaker
Rachael Short
Phil Smucker
Travis Stalter
Angie Wyse Reeser
Laura Glick Yoder

1998
10.5% — $19,860
Anonymous
Jeff Bontrager
Alison Charbeneau Bryant
Dustin George-Miller
Kris Yoder Gingerich
Peter Gingerich
Andrew Hartzler
Karla Hernandez Thut
Jesse Hostetter Kropf
Marla Hostetter Kropf
Kevin Jantzi
Nat Jordan
Kristin Graber Kauffman
Glen Kauffmann
Terry Martin
Celia Mellinger
Jeff Miller
Kate Kreider Minielly
Megan Ramer
Valerie Schrock
Peter Setiawan
Jeff Shenk
Jonathon Short
Terry Gundy Wedel
Ed Yoder

1999
9.8% — $52,040
Anonymous
Scott Barge
Matt Beachy
Ben Beyeler
Heather Birky
Thomas Bona
Peter Eash-Scott
Angie Gunden
Ruth Alfaro Hartzler
Travis Kauffman
Chrissy Kilmer Kauffmann
Krista Kauffmann
Mark Landes
Jason Lehman
Elizabeth Kanagy Miller
Steven Miller
Jill Liechty Replogle
Grant Rissler
Kara Schmucker
Jon Schrock
Mark Short
Anthony Showalter
Jessica Yoder Smucker
Amy Thut
Dirk Wolfer
Katherine Yoder
Mandy Yoder
Jason Yoder Rupp

2000
9% — $27,630
Anonymous
Terry Beck
Jodi Hochstedler Beyeler
David Chupp
Kevin Deary
Melissa Fisher Fast
Clarissa Gaff
Rachel George-Miller
Tim Godshall
Kevin Graber
Seth Kauffman
Tim Kennel
Patty Gross Lehman
Karen Martin Schiedel
Andrea Springer Pletcher
Nate Pletcher
Andrew Schiedel
Anne Waltner
Michael Yoder
Tonya Yoder Rupp

2001
10.6% — $39,388
Anonymous
Rafael Barahona
Fiona Christano
Sara Rhodes Chupp
Traci Porter Dawson
James Eash
Marcus Ebright Zehr
Janice Eigsti Miller
David Fisher Fast
Glenn Gilbert
Fred Gingerich
Amy Boller Graber
Nathan Graber
Arshavir Grigorian
Jason Heatwole
Reynard Hilman
Eric Hochstetler
Laura Litwiller
Ned Mast
Brian Miller
Laura Moyer
Lauren McFarland Murto
Lora Nafziger
Ezra Nugroho
Heather Graber Potsander
Jason Potsander
Rebecca Rich
Pratikshya Sharma Rijal
Jesse Sensenig
Angie White Short
Rachel Stuckey Showalter
Jonathan Yawson

2002
6.3% — $29,820
Audra Bechtel
Steph Miller Entz
Pete Gaff
Cara Landis Jeeves
Allen Kaczor
Suzanne Landis Kaczor
Alyssa Kreider
Travis Leatherman
Dave Nickel
Laura Graber Nickel
Heidi Birky Sawatzky
Mindy Holsopple Schlegel
Hollins Showalter
Adam Tice
Maria Longoria Tice
Ron Troyer
Jessica Yoder
Margene Murdent Zink

2003
7.8% — $39,070
Alyssa Beck Abebe
Kaleab Abebe
Garrett Bishop
Jennifer Springer Bishop
Elizabeth Bontrager
Jeremy Entz
Sarah Phend Horst
Rachel Koontz
Anne Albrecht Lehman
Kristen Mast
Mary Short Mast
Jessica Meyers
Brian Miller
Tasara Redekopp
Matt Rissler
Olivia Roth
Mandy Schmidt
Amanda Johnson Sensenig
Tim Shenk
Renee Springer
Nik Stoltzfus
Jayne Thomas Kennel
Elisa Zwier Dralle

2004
7.2% — $15,180
Ross Bay
Jon Bontrager
Andrea Bontrager Yoder
Theo Budiardja
Nick Enz
Paul Horst
Laura Kraybill
Aaron Lehman
Betsy Leinbach
Stella Mason
John McCarthy
Ben Metcalf
Sarah Nelson
Charity Brubaker Ortman
Chris Westerbeek
Aaron Wieand
Steph Schmidt Wieand
Landon Yoder

2005
8.6% — $49,915
Angela Newcomer Buller
Brett Buller
Jeff Claassen
Mariko Miyama Claassen
Adam Graber Roth
Thushan Hemachandra
Jason Kauffman
Lisa Graber Kauffman
Lane Kaufmann
Mandi Hooley Kaufmann
DeeDee Martin Landes
Joy Houser Metcalf
Jason Schmucker
Daron Showalter
Kate Showalter Stoltzfus
Dan Stutzman
Brandon Yoder
Jessica Berkey Yoder
Nick Yoder

2006
7.7% — $23,280
Alicia Janzen Amazan
Beth Gerios Brew
Dominique Burgunder-Johnson
Crystal Collier
Allison Brenneman Goertz
Isaiah Goertz
Anna Groff
Leah Roggie Gusler
Justin Heinzekehr
Kate Nafziger Leichty
Will Leichty
Elizabeth Miller
Abby Nafziger
Bethany Neumann Perrin
Melanie Histand Schmucker
Rose Miller Shetler
Kirstin Docken Showalter
Jessica Roth Stoltzfus
Marcos Stoltzfus
Josh Weaver

2007
5.7% — $32,810
Johnny Amazan
Jean Boen Roberts
Daniel Clouse
Hannah Eash-Gates
Chrissy Gosteli Ensley
Laura Neufeld Goerzen
David Haire
Fay Ng'andu McDonald
Pippen Roth
Sarah Roth-Mullet
Adam Yoder
Jon Yoder
Katie Martin Yoder
Laura Landis Yoder
Anna Yoder Schlabach
Brian Yoder Schlabach

2008
4.8% — $10,786
Hannah Gerig Meyer
Jonny Gerig Meyer
Ben Graber
Ivannia Perez Graber
Karen Graber Roth
Jeff Hochstetler
Justin Hochstetler
Tony Janzen
Zach Miller
Tyler Springer
Wendy Roberts Swallow
Greta Weaver
Matt Yoder

2009
4% — $10,290
Bryce Bow
Becca Fenton Friesen
Sarah Wiersma Gorski
Kate Derstine Grieser
Nathan Grieser
Abri Houser Hochstetler
Monica Cender Kearby
David Kempf
Leah Roth Miller
Peter Miller
Becky Barrows Soergel

2010
4% — $12,044
Grant Bachman
Kathryn Schlabach Bachman
Tim Blaum
Juan Diaz De Leon
Renee Miller Eigsti
Rachel Schlabach Grosh
Maria Hosler Byler
Philip Hosler Byler
Michelle Miller Good
Nick Miller Good
Darin Schwartzentruber
Alli Hawkins Stiffney
Kyle Stiffney

2011
6.5% — $16,228
Greta Breckbill
Aaron Core Shenk
Breanna Lange Daugherty
Trevor Daugherty
Katie Hughes Diaz De Leon
Rick Eigsti
Audrey Engle-Eshleman
Seth Grimes
Liz Gunden
Trisha Handrich
Kelsey Shue Hochstetler
Andrea Kraybill
Anne Lehman
Kelly Miller
Kurt Neufeld
Mallori Norris
Philip Shenk
Ana Yoder Coulter
Zach Yordy

2012
4.9% — $10,250
Garrett Cannizzo
Joshua Delp
Summer Hasan
Connor Histand
Krista Saffell Kempf
Elizabeth King
Lauren King
Matthew Lehman Wiens
Isaac Yoder-Schrock
Lisa Horst Schrock
Adrienne Yoder
Tillie Yoder

2013
4.4% — $10,954
Lewis Caskey
Jessie Gotwals
Brock GunderKline
Jacob GunderKline
Benjamin Kelly
Ruth Lehman Wiens
Grant Miller
Kent Miller
Maryn Munley
Saralyn Murray Oyer
Lynn Weaver
Kelsey Morris Wooten
Aspen Schmidt Yordy

2014
3.8% — $9,507
Hannah Bachman
Liz Core Shenk
Rocio Mondragon Diaz
Micah Engle-Eshleman
Matthew Glick
Corine Graber Alvarez
Niles Graber Alvarez
Alicia Hofer
Tony Miller
Lisa Myers

2015
7% — $1,360
Jaime Stack Applegate
Thomas Applegate
Jackson Bush
Micah Detweiler
Gretchen Geyer
Hillary Harder
Lisa Gaffin Hochstedler
Thomas Leonard
Caleb Longenecker Fox
Nina Longenecker Fox
Rachel Pippenger
Rachel Smucker
Sam Weaver
Madeleine Yoder
Amy Stanks Zakiewicz
Gary Zakiewicz
April Zehr

2016
2.6% — $4,890
Emma Caskey
Danielle Kerschhackl Salsgiver
Katie Schramm
Brian Sutter
Liz Tecca
Malaina Weldy

2017
3.8% — $29,860
Joelle Friesen
Stuart Kurtz
Caitlyn O'Neal
Sally Ponce
Jacob Roth
Dalton Shetler
Kaitlyn Bradley Sproles
Betrice Tinawati
Maggie Weaver

2018
4.1% — $13,610
Simelwe Dlova
Tabitha Immanuel
Mark Kreider
Caleb Liechty
Emma Liechty
Lydia Miller
Reena Ramos
Lana Smucker
Nat Dick Smucker
Brad Stoltzfus
Christina Swartzendruber

2019
3.3% — $8,770
Mara Beck
Vicky Benko
Ben Bontrager
Roxy Gehring
Elsa Lantz
Yazan Meqbil
Jordan Shields
Landon Weldy
Ming Woo
Trent Yoder-Neff

2020
4.1% — $1,444
Ameera Alshuga
Tanner Camp
Natalie Graber
Ethan Lapp
Corrie Osborne
Matthew Smucker
Kyle Snyder
Annelise Wiebe
Vashti Yoder-Neff

2021
2.4% — $1,320
Genevieve Cowardin
Salvador Jesus Escamilla
Erin Graber
Elsie Liechty
Pamela Ortiz Ramirez
Joel Yoder

2022
2.2% — $840
Emily Brandeberry
Cade Fisher
Gabrielle Ott
Mia Pawelski
Gavin Rusel
Christian Saleh
Ainslee Zou

2023
19.4% — $2,560
Jonathan Aaron
Katarina Amstutz
Wesley Beck
Emma Bontrager
Axel Brown
Aurora Flores Avila
Yudiria Ochoa Garcia
Cynthia Good Kaufmann
Ryan Harmelink
Sarah Hinshaw
Grace Hitt
Alexa Kennel
Jonah King
Greta Klassen
Olivia Koop
Cadence Lee
Izabel Love
Ruby Meyer
Alena Miller
Gussie Nafziger
Lydia Nolt
Anna Osborne
Tanner Pinks
Char Reeves
Gretta Rempel
Caroline Robling-Griest
Tony Santana
Jannik Schoske
Jess Slattery
Samuel Stoner-Eby
Court Templeton
Angie Ticen
Angel Torres
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Making room for others

AUTHOR'S NOTE: This anecdote is shared as another illustration of the interactions of tensions and ideals, successes and failures that populate the pages of *A Mennonite College for Everyone(?): Goshen College and the Quest for Identity and Inclusion, 1960-2020*, which you can read about on page 22. This story is alluded to in the book (p. 110, note 7), though not told. Leatherman's letter of resignation was not uncovered in the college archives until after the book was finalized.

ON MARCH 4, 1969, Daniel (Dan) Leatherman '58, associate professor of political science, sent a three-page resignation letter to **President Paul Mininger '34**. Leatherman had distinguished himself academically as an undergrad and after studying at the University of Chicago, he returned to join the GC faculty in 1963.

Leatherman was one of several "Young Turk" faculty members — sought out by student dissenters in conflict with administrators and practices. However, his resignation letter was prompted less by student action than discussions with other faculty. He wrote: "As you know, some of us have felt strongly enough about the need to hire one or more Black professors as soon as possible that we have offered to leave temporarily (or even permanently)" if GC would find that an African American "becomes available in our field."

In fact, **Lee Roy Berry**, a Black graduate of Eastern Mennonite University, had recently begun graduate study in political science at nearby University of Notre Dame. Leatherman noted that he had first considered taking a partial or temporary leave. Ultimately he recognized his that leaving "to make room for" Berry was repellant. "Thus, whatever [Berry] decides to do, I must resign to create a genuine vacancy [granting] any successor the ... independence he needs and deserves."

Leatherman enumerated additional personal and institutional factors for leaving, including noting that he is untying his "Alma Mater's apron strings" not out of anger or arrogance, "but with a little fear, some regret, much wistfulness, and ... with hopeful expectations for what [I might accomplish] 'on the outside.'"

GC did hire Berry in 1969; he was GC's first African-American professor and taught until retiring in 2010.

Had Leatherman's convictions not led him to resign in 1969, the college almost certainly would have terminated him in 1980 at the time he publicly acknowledged his identity as a gay man. He died this year at the age of 85.

Pictured: (Left) 1969 Leatherman family photo included his children (front) Fred, Becki and **Sue (Leatherman) Sommers '86**; and (back) Dan and his wife at the time, **Kathryn (Shantz) Leatherman '61**

(Above) **Dan Leatherman**, 1968-69

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